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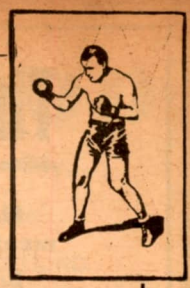

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They don't fight 75 rounds any more. Perhaps that's all for the best. In the "good old days," when they sought distance rather than speed in the ring, long drawnout fights were quite the thing. The fans liked them.

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Sullivan had taken the title from Paddy Ryan in February, 1882, and then had spent some five years touring with theatrical companies.

The fans of the nation wanted action, and finally Sullivan took on Kilrain, and they went at it for 75 rounds.

John L. long has been up in Valhalla, telling of his achievements.

Kilrain also has gone to his reward. How good was their fight?

Daniel M. Daniel will tell you about it in the next issue of THE RING Magazine.

Also in the next issue, a story about the outstanding matches as they shape up for 1946.

Joe Louis and Billy Conn are out of the Army.

Other fine fighters are being discharged, and it looks like pre-war days again this year.

Don't miss this authoritative size-up of the 1946 boxing situation in the next issue of this magazine.

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WILLIE PEP NAMED *the* BOXER *of the* YEAR

By NAT FLEISCHER

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SELECTING the Fighter of the Year is a task enveloped in myriad difficulties in normal times. It can well be imagined how severe and complex the job for 1945. Most of the year found us yet involved in the world war. It was only recently that the last of our official world title holders was discharged.

Before going any further in this compilation of the boxing achievements of 1945, let it be stressed, as always, that THE RING's ratings are based on actual performance.

There have been times when THE RING was forced to locate a world champion comparatively low in the classification of his division. That a man is the champion is not, in itself, an argument that he be placed No. 1 in his weight category.

To gain a rating, a boxer must have fought during the year. To attain a high ranking, a fighter must have done outstanding things. What men did in the past, what they are likely to do in the future, have nothing whatever to do with these ratings.

With this preamble, THE RING Magazine presents Willie Pep, featherweight champion of the world, as its Fighter of the Year for 1945.

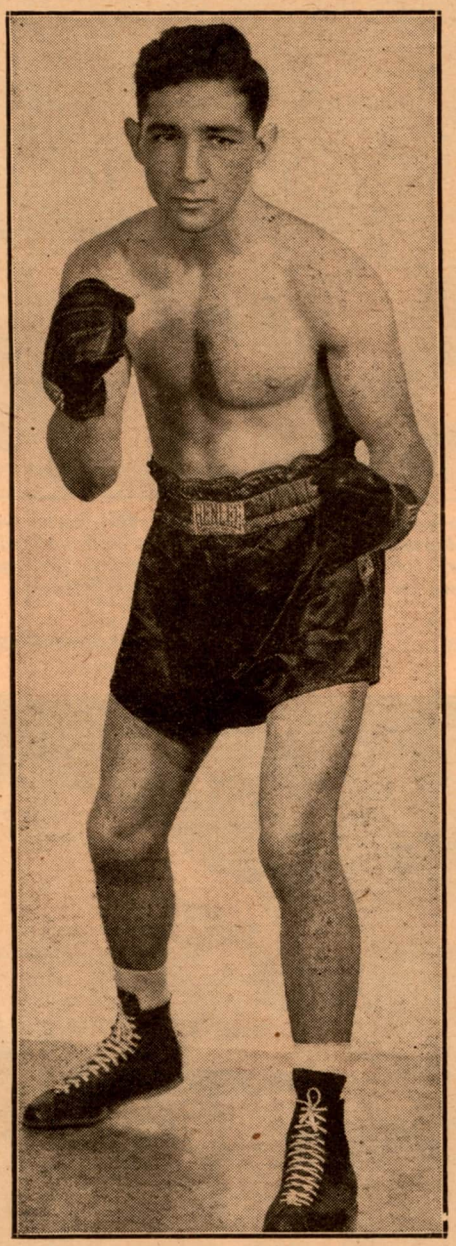
In selecting Pep, THE RING was guided by these considerations:—

1—The featherweight king defended his title during the year against an outstanding contender, Phil Terranova, in a thrilling 15-round bout.

2—In addition to tackling Terranova, Pep engaged in seven non-title bouts, beating Ralph Walton, Willie Roache, Paulie Jackson, Mike Martyk, Eddie Giosa and Harold Gibson, and boxing a draw with Jimmy McAllister, who scaled 132 pounds.

3—Pep was the only champion of the world to defend his title during the year 1945.

4—Pep's public relations were perfect, his influence on boxing was splendid, his patriotism could not be questioned. He served first in the Navy. After his discharge from that arm of the service, he was inducted into the Army.



Willie Pep, world's featherweight champion who served both in the Army and Navy and who successfully defended his crown against Phil Terranova.

5—Pep went through the year unbeaten in seven contests and maintained his amazing record of successes—a record which shows 90 triumphs in 92 contests. Only Sammy Angott defeated him and McAllister alone held him to a draw.

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IT IS with considerable pride that THE RING presents Pep as its selection for the year despite the draw.

It is with high satisfaction for the entire sport that THE RING points to Pep's achievements in a year devoid of the customary number of standout attainments.

Picking Pep, despite his manifest qualifications, was not too easy because, once again, Manuel Ortiz, the bantamweight champion, presented formidable claims as did Jake La Motta, Ray Robinson and Rocky Graziano.

Ortiz was an impressive contender for the Fighter of the Year citation in 1944, when THE RING gave the award to Beau Jack, who during 1945 was in the army.

The year 1945 saw Ortiz, also an army man, take part in five fights. He won them all, from Babe Gonzales, Bert White, Little Giant, Jose Andreas and Proctor Heinold.

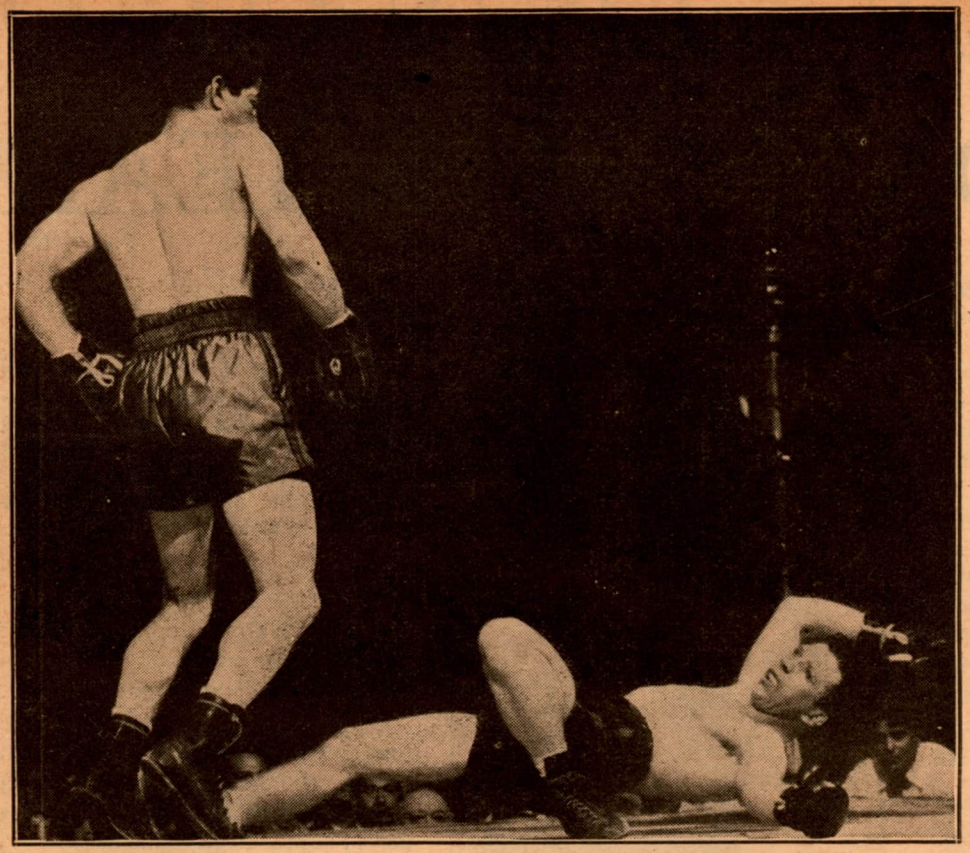
On January 29, 1945, the El Centro, Cal., dynamo, who all through his career had met all comers and dodged no one, was inducted into the army. Now he is out of service.

Analyzing the records for the year, THE RING was impressed with the qualifications of Rocky Graziano and Jake La Motta.

Graziano engaged in six fights during 1945. He won all six. He won all six by knockouts.

He stopped Billy Arnold in three rounds; Solomon Stewart in four; the late Bummy Davis in four, welterweight champion Freddie Cochrane in 10 in July and again in 10 in August, and Harold Green in three.

Recapitulation shows that in six fights, Graziano went to victory with a total of only 34 rounds.



On this page are photographs of two of the most thrilling rounds of the year. Rocky Graziano stands over Freddie Cochrane, world's welterweight king, after knocking him out cold with a haymaker that landed just before the bell sounded ending the ninth round. Cochrane was revived but could scarcely come out for the tenth in which he was finished.

And yet, THE RING is not in a position to name this pugilistic standout the Fighter of the Year. He fails to meet THE RING's qualifications for this high honor.

To Graziano goes a secondary citation. He was the best new fighter of the year, the most improved professional boxer in world competition.

To Rocky also goes the distinction of having achieved the biggest upset of the year. It came in his quick knockout of Billy Arnold. The Philadelphian was expected to win handily, but Graziano gave him a thorough shellacking before putting him away in the third. That victory started Rocky off on his skein of remarkable achievements.

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IN apportioning the laurels for the year, THE RING wants to make its obeisance to Billy Fox, Negro light-heavyweight from Philadelphia, former army boxer.

Fox was the knockout king of 1945. His record shows 36 kayos. He has taken part in 36 fights.

The Fight of the Year was the first battle between Graziano and Cochrane in New York's Garden.

Cochrane just had come out of the Navy. He was the world's welter champion.

For nine rounds, Cochrane gave Rocky a boxing lesson. Then came the hectic tenth, in which Freddie suffered his knockout.

The Round of the Year was the twelfth between Willie Joyce and Ike Williams in New York's Garden. Joyce stopped Ike.

Before going into the ratings themselves, THE RING would like to point out again that just because a fighter happens to be a champion is not a guarantee that he is the No. 1 man in the ratings of his division. He may hold a crown, yet others in the division are his superior as a fighter, based on comparative records. And that's on what ratings are based.

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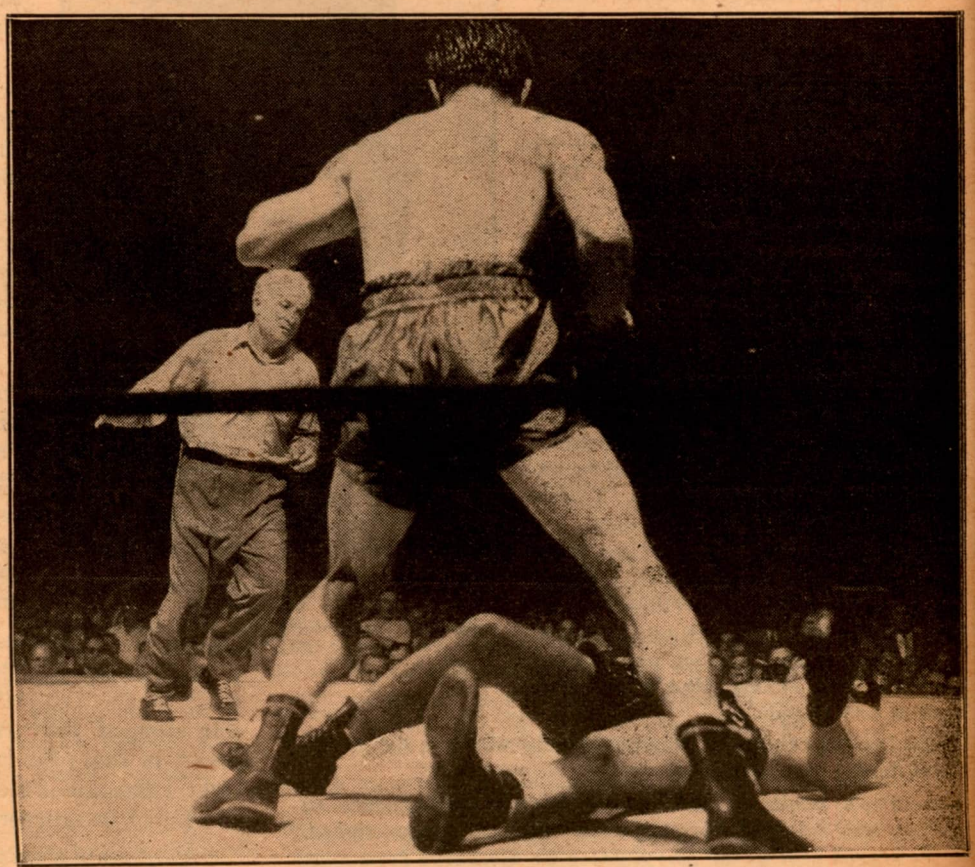
ONCE again boxing suffered through the fact that there was no fight for the world's heavyweight laurels. Joe Louis, the champion, and Billy Conn, regarded as the most formidable contender, both were discharged from the army rather late in the year and are scheduled to meet next June.

With Louis still out of action, the most interesting heavyweight development came in England,



And here is the end of the thrilling bout, named by THE RING *as the outstanding fight of the year. Cochrane lies flat on his back, counted out in the tenth round.*

Rocky Graziano, the knockout artist of 1945.

things done in 1945, the standout heavyweight was Tami Mauriello of New York. The No. 2 rating must go to Jimmy Bivins, Cleveland Negro, and the No. 3 spot to Lee Oma of Detroit.

Even Elmer Ray of Tampa rates over Woodcock, who lands the No. 5 position, with the veteran Chilean Godoy sixth; Jersey Joe Wolcott, seventh; Joey Maxim, eighth; Lee Savold, inactive except for a fight with Bivins, tenth; and Joe Baksi, in last place.

No Homeric coterie, these heavyweights of 1945. No group from which to pick a challenger for Louis.

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IN the light-heavyweight division, THE RING has rated Archie Moore, St. Louis Negro, tops. He gets the call over Lloyd Marshall of Sacramento. Phil Muscato is third and Freddie Mills, cruiserweight champion of England now serving in the army in India, fourth. Unfortunately Mills, rated by many British experts as the equal of America's best light-heavies, has been forced into inactivity because of his army service.

Gus Lesnevich, light-heavyweight champion, is out of the navy and ready to resume operations.

In the middleweight division with Tony Zale the accredited champion, just out of service and inactive for three years, the year 1945 saw Jake LaMotta of New York achieve the No. 1 rating.

Here we run into something that appears to be an inconsistency. Graziano, with his remarkable record, cannot be ranked better than No. 4 among the middleweights. There can be no doubt about LaMotta's superiority over all in the division.

Under LaMotta in the listing we find Holman Williams of Detroit a consistent winner, with Charley Burley, Pittsburgh, third. Foreign representation shows up with Marcel Cerdan, France, fifth, and Jock McAvoy, England's champion, eighth. Bee Bee Washington has a fine record. He is rated sixth.

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IN the welterweight division, THE RING is forced to give subordinate rating to the world's champion, Freddie Cochrane.

Ray Robinson, New York Negro, gained the top rung in this division, with Cochrane second choice, Tippy Larkin, New Jersey, third, and Jimmy Doyle, California, fourth. Ernie Roderick, England, belongs in fifth place, with Sammy Angott, once lightweight title holder, sixth. Robinson stands out above all welters.

In the lightweight class, the world's championship is open.

On the basis of work done in this class during the year, the standout was Chalky Wright, former featherweight contender, where Bruce Woodcock took the Empire title by knocking out Jack London in the third round.

However, this accomplishment against the aged and faded London did not entitle Woodcock to No. 1 listing among the active heavyweights.

On the basis of work done in this class during the year, the standout was Chalky Wright, former featherweight contender. The Negro from Durango, Mexico, entered the lightweight division and operated in it in nine fights. He defeated the outstanding men of this class. After having lost in ten to Willie Joyce, he won from Willie in a return bout. He can no longer make the featherweight division and rates tops as a lightweight.

Allie Stolz did so well during his comeback that he won second ranking among the 135-pounders.

Bob Montgomery did not earn better than fourth place, though he is regarded as the world champion in New York. He was hampered by being in the army. Joyce rates over him.

Beau Jack was in the army throughout the year and so did not get a chance to retain the Fighter of the Year award which went to him in 1944. Though he says he will fight in 1946 as a lightweight in his only bout of 1945 he was a full-fledged welter.

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WHEN we come to the featherweight division, we run into a situation reminiscent of the days before the war.

In this class the world champion, Willie Pep, also is the No. 1 man in the ratings. He stands out as the ace of the division.

Sal Bartolo, NBA champion, deserves second rating, with Phil Terranova, whom Pep beat during the year, third.

Manuel Ortiz keeps the No. 1 ratings among the bantams, while Jackie Paterson, the Scot, placing No. 1 among the flyweights, achieves the distinction of being the only foreign boxer to land a top spot in any classification. He recently was whipped decisively by Theo Medina, French champion, but at 120 pounds.

It will be seen from the following tabulation that during the year 1945, only Robinson, Pep, Ortiz and Paterson were able to retain their leadership on work done, and that of the top ratings of 1944, Jimmy Bivins, Lloyd Marshall, Holman Williams and Beau Jack lost their positions. Of these, Jack was the only one who dropped out of the highest rung because he was in service and out of civilian competition. He had only one fight, as a welterweight, beating Willie Joyce. He scaled 144 pounds.

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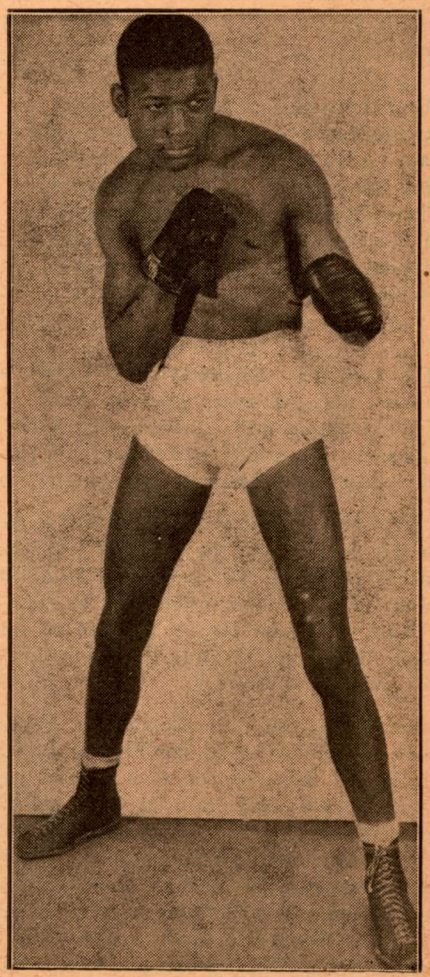
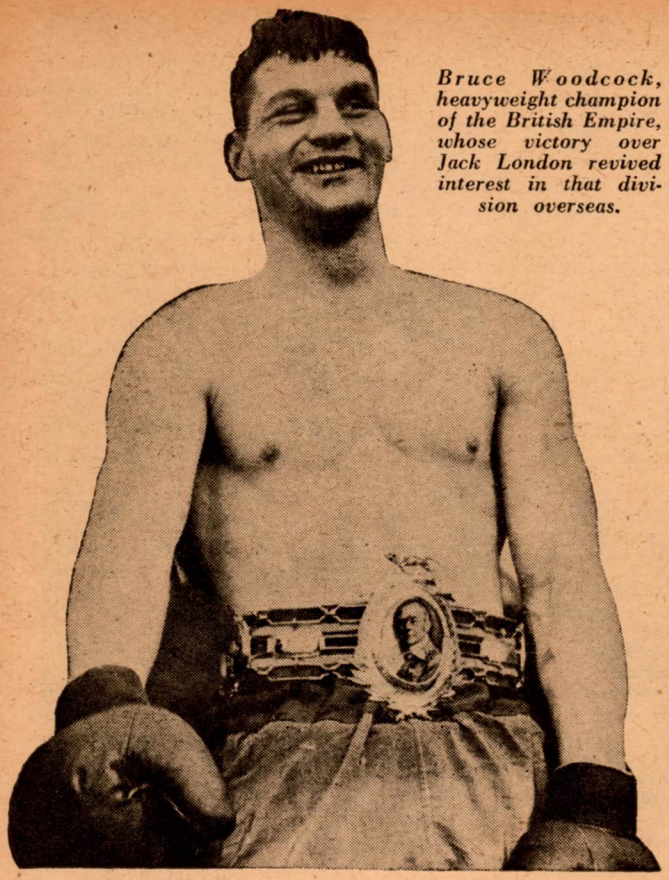
1944—Beau Jack
1945—Willie Pep



Ray Robinson, named by this publication the year's best welterweight in the world.



Bruce Woodcock, heavyweight champion of the British Empire, whose victory over Jack London revived interest in that division overseas.

Here are the No. 1 ratings of 1945 as compared with those for 1944:—

1945		1944
Tami Mauriello	**Heavyweight**	**Jimmy Nivins**
Archie Moore	**Light-heavyweight**	**Lloyd Marshall**
Jake La Motta	**Middleweight**	**Holman Williams**
Ray Robinson	**Welterweight**	**Ray Robinson**
Chalky Wright	**Lightweight**	**Beau Jack**
Willie Pep	**Featherweight**	**Willie Pep**
Manuel Ortiz	**Bantamweight**	**Manuel Ortiz**
Jackie Paterson	**Flyweight**	**Jackie Paterson**

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IN so far as popular interest, high receipts and big crowds were concerned, 1945 went 1944 a few better.

With wartime money around in profusion, all a promoter had to do was to open the gates. Second and third rate fighters drew more than world champions used to attract before the war.

Of course, the element of promotion still was paramount. In this department, the standout job was achieved by Mike Jacobs, of New York, to whom THE RING awards the Promoter of the Year citation with extreme pleasure.

Mike, who kept boxing interest at a tremendously high level all through the war, turned in incredible attainments in receipts and crowds.

In receipts, Mike's promotions in the Garden hit the high mark of $2,197,755. The Treasury Department will receive from Jacobs and the Twentieth Century Club payments which New York boxing could not turn over in its halcyon days—and all this minus a world's heavyweight championship fight.

The record gate for the year was $103,970, taken in at the battle between Graziano and Harold Green, and ended by Rocky with a knockout in the third round. This fight took place in the Garden in New York.

In addition to staging 43 fights in the Garden during the year the Twentieth Century Club ran 35 cards in the St. Nicholas Rink in New York.

Here are some standout facts of the year:—

There were no fewer than 21 no-contests.

Bob Galento Arthur, of Columbus, stopped Johnny Alexander, Circleville, Kans., in 12 seconds.

At Fall River, Danny Petro scored 17 knockdowns against Henry Davis before disposing of him in the eighth.

Charley Robinson, Penn's Grove, N. J., lost two bouts in two states within an hour.

Robinson, a heavyweight, lost in six rounds to Louis Long of Chicago, in Camden, N. J., dressed and boarded a bus for Philadelphia, where he was knocked out in the third round by Johnny Allen.

At West Springfield, Mass., Frankie Donato, Philadelphia lightweight, subbed for two preliminary fighters who failed to put in an appearance, and completed his night's job in a hurry by chilling Billy Marcus of Hartford in two rounds, and Redcap Cooper of Springfield, weighing 143 pounds, nine more than Donato, in two rounds.

At New Bedford, Mass., Oscar St. Pierre, Fall River lightweight, knocked down Marty Pember of Boston, eleven times, then finished him in the fifth round.

At Cleveland, Ted Christie, New York featherweight, was knocked out three times in a four-round bout. Leroy Jackson of Cleveland put him away with a solar plexus punch in the first, but the bell sounded, saving Christie. In the third, a right to the jaw while Christie was on one knee flattened Ted, but the referee ruled it a foul and the commission ordered the fight resumed. Then in the fourth round, Jackson clouted Christie out for keeps.

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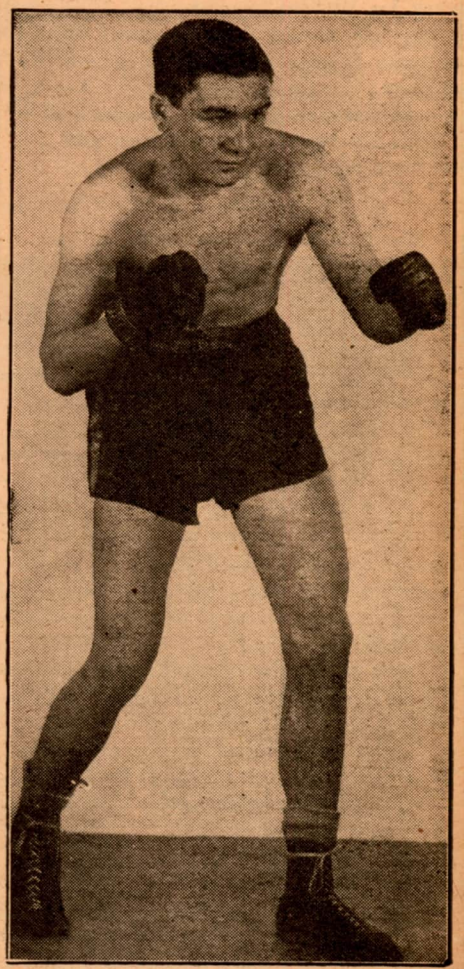
NOW that we have gone over the top ranking men, and the top ranking incidents, let us examine the records and note why Mauriello and the rest were entitled to their No. 1 places for 1945.

Mauriello engaged in nine bouts and came through with a clean slate. His outstanding victory was over Lee Oma whom he defeated in ten rounds in a thrilling battle. He knocked out Steve Dudas, Lou Nova, Charley Eagle, Vincent Pimpinella, Johnny White, Gunnar Barlund, Earle Lowman and Jerry Berthiaume—all mediocre fighters — yet his record is better than that of any of the others seeking the challenger's post against Joe Louis.

Jimmy Bivins, Cleveland Negro, had eight bouts



Tami Mauriello the fighter who earned the ranking post among the heavyweights for 1945. Though Bivins in his eight bouts fought better men, Tami, with nine wins, takes precedence over Jimmy who has been idle since September and whose kayo victory over Archie Moore was tainted because of fouls.

and won them all. He stopped George Parks, Buddy Walker, Buddy Scott and Archie Moore and won from Johnny Flynn, Curtis Sheppard and Yancey Henry.

He drew with Melio Bettina in a listless bout and won by a knockout in six rounds over Archie Moore in a bout in which he was accused of hitting his man while Moore was down. That's why Mauriello gets the nod over him.

Lee Oma, third on our list of heavies, had six contests and dropped one, that to Mauriello. He beat Joe Baksi when Joe was on top of the roost and scored over Earle Lowman and Larry Lane. He also knocked out Jackie Saunders in six and Prentiss Hall in five.

A fighter with a good wallop who has been shunned by the cream of the heavyweights and finds it most difficult to get a shot at any of the headliners in Madison Square Garden is Elmer Ray, listed on his year's performances as our No. 4 man. Elmer, in his only fight in the Garden against Shamus O'Brien, did a creditable job, yet the Garden won't book him.

He has been forced to travel around the country to get work. He scored eleven knockouts in thirteen starts, only Larry Lane and Hubert Hood going the limit with him. He deserves Garden booking.

Bruce Woodcock will first have to show his ability against at least one outstanding American before the British Empire Champion can be considered timber for a heavyweight title bout. He had only four fights last year but won all and gained the British crown, a performance that has earned for him the fifth ranking world position in our ratings with Arturo Godoy, the Chilean who is on a comeback trail, on his heels. Godoy had eight fights, each against exceedingly poor talent, and won all. The only reason he is placed among the ranking ten is because the field is composed of mediocre fighters and Arturo still possesses enough to outclass them.

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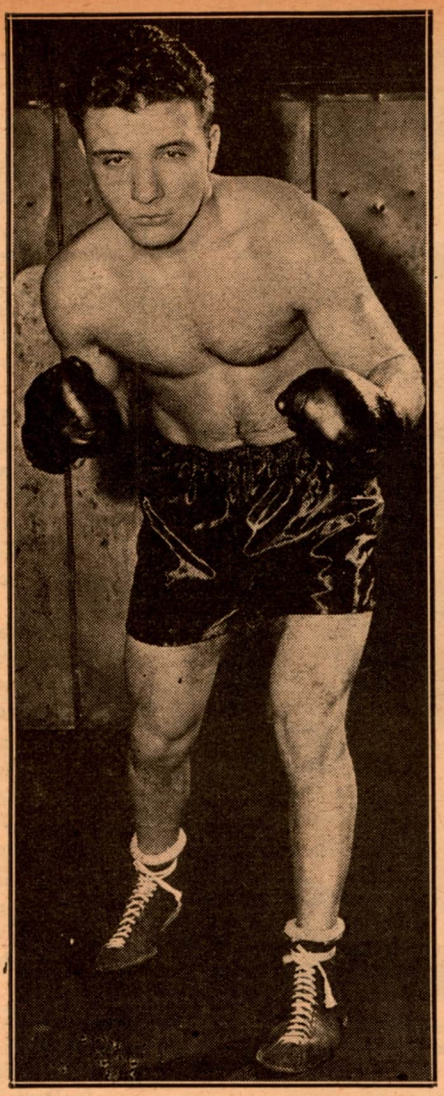
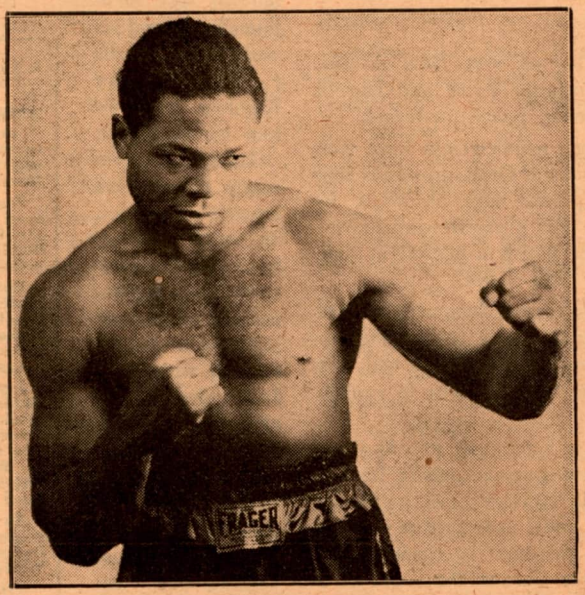
IN the light-heavyweight division, Archie Moore, a veteran who fought in Australia in prewar days, came back with a bang to land on the top rung of the ladder. Under the able guidance of Jimmy Johnston, he lost only two fights out of fourteen, and one loss, to the veteran Holman Williams, he reversed decisively via the knockout route three weeks later.

The defeat he suffered at the hands of Bivins, caused quite a commotion because Archie was hit while down and that knockout wallop made him an easy target as the fight progressed. He was stopped in six rounds.

Moore beat among other stars, Lloyd Marshall in ten when Marshall was the head man and had been for almost two years and in a return engagement, Archie knocked out Marshall in ten rounds.



Jake LaMotta, the world's leading middleweight contender.



Archie Moore, sensational light-heavyweight veteran who gained the top position in his class.

Moore also stopped Cocoa Kid in eight and beat Nate Bolden in ten. He is the class of the division with Marshall next.

Lloyd came back strong after his knockout by Moore when he kayoed the Number One man of the division at the time, Fitzie Fitzpatrick, in five rounds and later beat Nate Bolden in ten.

Phil Muscato, out of the service, made splendid progress. He engaged in fifteen bouts of which he lost three, one to Nate Bolden. He dropped one to Sampson Powell and to Reedy Evans but has been winning consistently since then.

Herb Narvo, who made a fine comeback to win the Australian light-heavyweight championship, follows Kahut. The biggest disappointment of the year in the division, was the sudden fall of Fitzie Fitzpatrick who was close to the top of the ladder most of the year and then suffered a knockout at the hands of Lloyd Marshall and a defeat in ten rounds by Joe Kahut. He is rated last in the group.

A lad who has come a long way despite the fact that navy restrictions have kept him in harness most of the time so that he couldn't even train properly, is Joe Kahut, the farmer boy from Portland, Oregon, who landed in fifth place under Freddie Mills of England. Joe knocked out Jack Huber, Jack Dillich, Moose Kennedy (twice), and Al Jordan, and won in ten over Fitzie Fitzpatrick.

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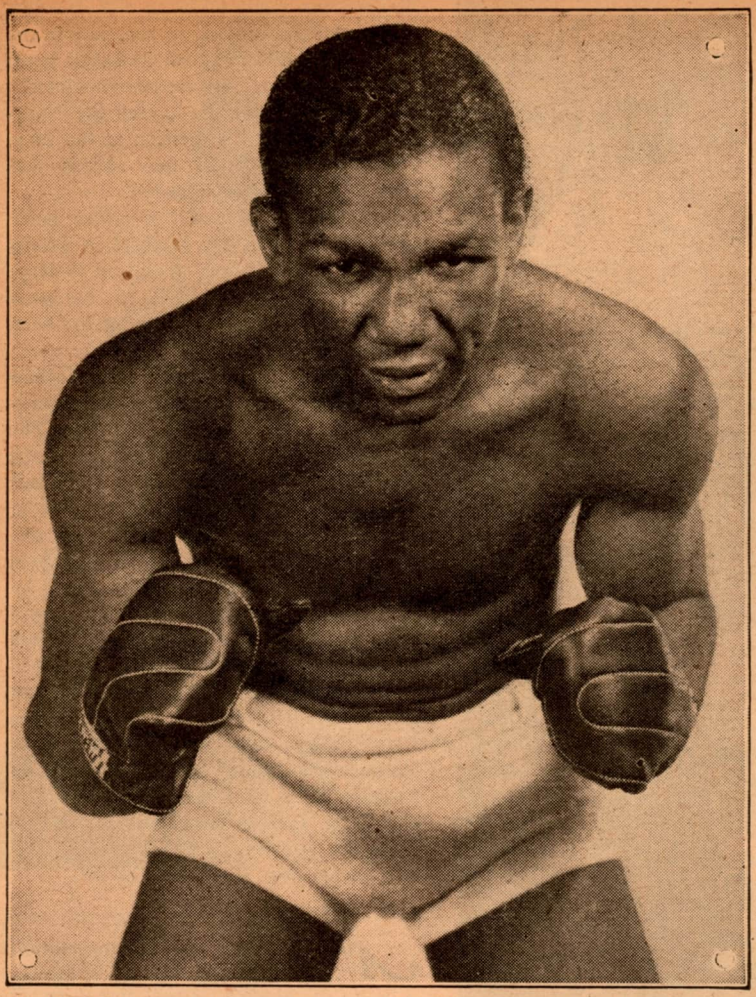
AND now for the middleweights: Jake LaMotta is our ranking choice over Holman Williams who gave him a neck and neck run for the money, because of Jake's great knockout victory over Walter Woods, one of the best of the light-heavyweights. Jake disposed of Walter in eight rounds and during the same week, Williams was stopped in eleven by Archie Moore. Jake is a consistent performer.

LaMotta's only defeats were at the hands of Ray Robinson, but that's no disgrace. Ray, in my opinion, can take any welter or middleweight, into camp. LaMotta stopped Lou Schwartz, George Costner, Jose Basora, Georgie Kochan, an outstanding light-heavy; Coolidge Miller, Woods and Charlie Parham, and he beat Bert Lytell, another good middleweight, in ten rounds and Vic Dellicurti in ten.

Williams continued his great record of the previous year with many thrilling victories. He engaged in sixteen fights against men of his own class and those in the higher brackets and lost only two and had one draw. He dropped bouts to Cocoa Kid and Moore and drew with Bert Lytell. He defeated among other good men, Cocoa Kid in twelve; Joe Carter in fifteen; Sampson Powell in ten, twice; Charley Burley in twelve; Bert Lytell in twelve and scored a fine win over Archie Moore in ten



Chalky Wright, no longer able to make the feather limit, stood out as the best lightweight of the year. He scored over the best the division could offer.

rounds three weeks before Williams was stopped by Archie.

Charley Burley of Pittsburgh remains a high-ranking middleweight, a position he held last year. He had one defeat chalked against him—by Holman Williams in twelve rounds. He beat Joe Carter, Aaron Wade and Billy Smith, and knocked out Oscar Boyd in two, Dave Clark in one and Walter Duval in four.

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GRAZIANO'S record is one of kayoes over Billy Arnold, Solomon Stewart, Al Davis, Cochrane twice and Harold Green. He is the year's hardest puncher, pound-for-pound.

Marcel Cerdan, European and French middleweight king, who carried off the Inter-Allied championships at Oran, goes back into the yearly ratings as was the case in prewar days. Marcel is undefeated for the year in seven bouts. His greatest triumph was recently scored when he knocked out the Welsh middleweight king, Tommy Davies, in a round. He is our fifth choice.

A Washington, D. C., boy who has come a long way toward the top, is Bee Bee Washington, who has a clean slate for the year. In twelve contests, he scored ten victories and two ended in a draw. Following him comes Steve Belloise in seventh position.

Another lad, a former service man, a veteran of prewar days, whose praises are being sung in New England where he has been forced to do all of his fighting, is "Wildcat" George Henry of Los Angeles. I have seen him twice and I daresay that if Mike Jacobs' matchmaking department will give him the chance he so eagerly has been seeking to show in the Garden, there will be a new middleweight idol in New York. He has had nine fights and lost only one, to Marcus Lockman, on a split verdict.

Henry won over Mario Ochoa, Jesse Morany, Frankie Ross, Johnny Carter, Cocoa Kid, Cleve Bailey, Saint Paul, Joe Reddick and dropped a very questionable decision to Marcus Lockman, otherwise known as Kid Chicken.

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RAY ROBINSON'S record in the welterweight class stands out. He knocked out Billy Furrone, George Costner, Jimmy McDaniels and Jimmy Mandell, won over Tommy Bell, over Jake LaMotta twice, and over Vic Dellicurti. He also drew with Jose Basora. The top men of the middleweight class won't fight Robinson and the opposition in the welterweight division is scarce.

As for Freddie Cochrane, I know that many Jersey fans will knock my brains out for placing him second on the year's performances because he is the champion, but title-holders mean nothing in annual ratings. They take their place at the head of the division as champions, but on the year's records, that's another story. The fact that Freddie recently got out of the navy, is not taken into consideration since he had six tune-up fights prior to meeting Graziano. His knockout victories, seven in all, are against exceptionally poor fighters but his bouts with Rocky were thrillers.

Tippy Larkin earned the post below Champion Cochrane on the year's performance and also over Jimmy Doyle of Los Angeles by virtue of his fine work in scoring over Willie Joyce and Nick Moran, ranking men in their respective divisions.

Doyle had eight fights and is one of the classiest boxers in the game. Only two of his opponents were top-notchers, Tommy Bell, whom he beat in ten, and Chuck Hunter, whom he whipped in ten, but the fact that he cannot get the top talent to meet him, is not his fault. Like Elmer Ray and other good men, Doyle doesn't seem to be able to get any lucrative Garden shots. We wonder why?

In Doyle's only performance in the House That Tex Built, he was hailed as a second Ray Robinson, so clever was he, but that got him nowhere. He hasn't been able to get a Garden shot since. Angott is fifth.

Another of the veterans to make his reappearance in the select circle after a long retirement, is Sammy Angott, still good enough to take the measure of the leading lads in his division. His knockout of Ike Williams in six and his victory over the tough Danny Kapilow, gained him his high post.

Marty Servo, recently returned from the service, and now matched to fight Cochrane for the welterweight crown, is placed sixth behind Angott, with Beau Jack, whose only fight this year was as a full-fledged welterweight, following.

Beau Jack had seven pounds on Willie Joyce when he beat the Gary, Ind., lad.

"The Ring's" Round of the Year

THE Round of the Year was the spectacular twelfth and final round of the bout between Willie Joyce and Ike Williams at Madison Square Garden, which was staged on March 3rd.

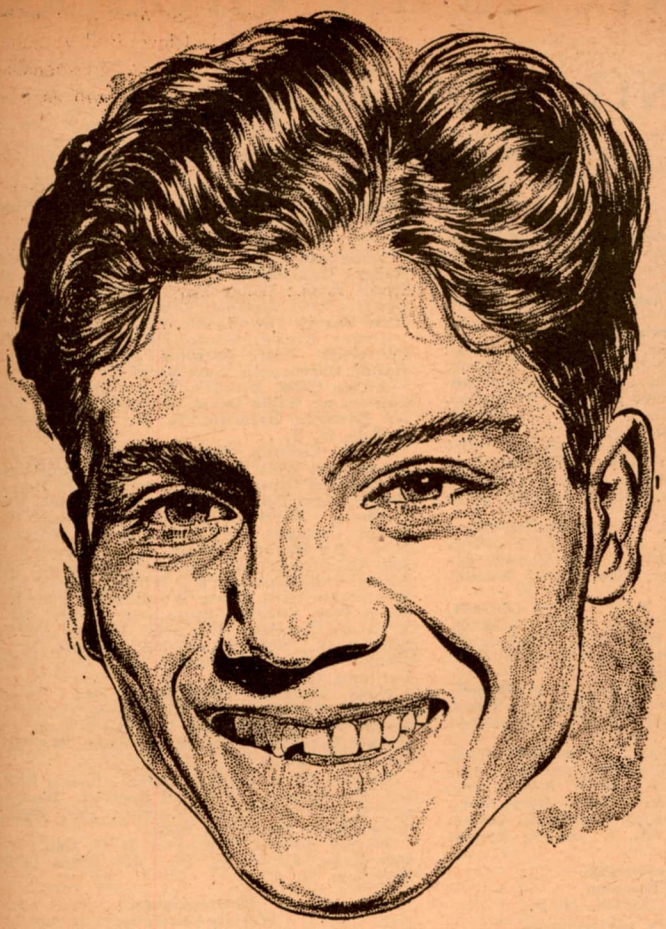
Joyce and Williams had been slugging away head to head and toe to toe during most of the fight, and the final frame provided the highlight to a battle that was crowded with action every minute of every round.

Both men began belting away at the same blistering pace. Joyce suddenly broke out in a volley of blinding left jabs and solid left hooks to the head. Suddenly, Willie crashed a thunderous right to Williams' jaw and Ike's knees buckled.

Joyce pursued Williams, winging away with rights to the jaw. Williams swayed and rolled helplessly against the ropes as Joyce punched himself arm-weary trying for a knockout. The crowd was on its feet yelling hoarsely as Williams weaved away from countless rights fired by the Chicago Negro, who entered the ring an underdog.

As the final gong sounded, Williams was groggy, and Joyce so arm weary that when Referee Young Otto pulled the men apart, Willie swayed against the ropes limply.

This sensational round is rated by THE RING as boxing's Round of the Year for 1945.



Manuel Ortiz, world bantam king who completed the year with a clean record.

Tommy Bell looked like a sure bet to get close to the top in his fight with Ray Robinson, who beat him in ten rounds, but he petered out after that. He drew with Bee Bee Wright, lost to Ossie Harris, Jimmy Doyle and Jake LaMotta and scored kayoes over Chuck Hunter, Bill McDowell and Bobby Richardson—not a good enough record to earn for him better than eighth position, with Ernie Roderick ninth; Nick Moran, tenth; Johnny Greco and Tony Janiro, following in the order named.

Greco's two victories over Janiro were his best performances. Janiro, an active battler, who engaged in fifteen bouts, was one of the year's biggest attractions. Though he lost only to Greco, twice, his opponents in the other battles were ordinary. His best performance was against Greco in their second battle, which he won. They fought three times.

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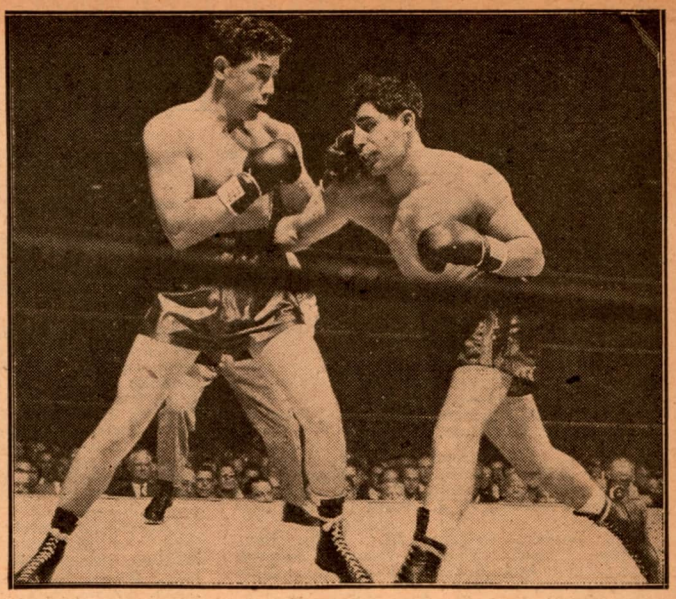
THE surprise package in the lightweight class is Chalky Wright. This veteran, probably the oldest top-notch fighter in the game, graduated right out of the ranks of the featherweights into the leading contender's post in the next higher division. He lost only one fight, to Willie Joyce in ten rounds, and then had a black mark chalked against him when the referee heaved him and Jackie Wilson out of the ring in the seventh round of their bout at Baltimore on April 9, for not trying, but since then, Chalky has behaved and has come through with bells on. He licked Willie Joyce easily in Los Angeles, stopped Henry Jordan in six; beat Enrique Bolanos, a ranking lightweight, in ten and Humberto Zalava in ten. Then came his best triumphs, one over Bobby Ruffin and the other over Michigan's champion, Leroy Willis.

Allie Stolz's comeback has been most successful with eight victories in eight tries. His defeats over Wesley Mouzon, Pedro Firpo and Willie Joyce gained for him the spot under Wright, with Joyce next in line.

Joyce had much better competition in his fifteen bouts, but



A scene in the thrilling fight between Johnny Greco and Tony Janiro, one of the outstanding fights in New York this year.

losing to Stolz, lost him his chance for second place. He dropped verdicts to Ike Williams, Wright, Tippy Larkin, Beau Jack and Allie Stolz and had a draw with Joey Barnum. His only kayo victim was Danny Bartfield. He beat Wright, Williams twice, Rojo, Freeman, Ruffin, Barnum and Morris Reif.

The world title-holder so far as New York is concerned, Bob Montgomery, had only four fights due to his army service and lost one of these to Nick Moran, but beat Nick in a return engagement in Philly. That verdict could have been given either way, that's how close the fight was.

The N.B.A. champion, Ike Williams, didn't fare so well. Out of eleven fights he lost three, one a kayo at the hands of Sammy Angott. His other losses were to Willie Joyce. He won his N.B.A. title by stopping Juan Zurita in Mexico in two rounds. He also drew with Wesley Mouzon.

Canada gets only one man in the select circle for the year, Dave Castilloux, the light and welter king of the Dominion.

Dave has been going good since his release from the army and earned a spot above Beau Jack, who had only one fight, that with Willie Joyce. His best battle was against Juste Fontaine in Milwaukee which he won.

The lightweight champion of the British Empire, Ronnie James, follows Jack. His only loss was to Arthur Danahar, a welterweight title bout for the armed forces in Belgium.

Bolanos, like Chalky Wright, became too heavy for the feathers and joined the ranks of the lightweights. He had been doing pretty well in that division. His loss to Wright was the only one suffered by him.

Enrique Bolanos, Freddie Dawson and Wesley Mouzon wind up the first ten. Dawson has been coming along since his discharge from the army. He dropped only one fight in nine, to Dorsey Lay, who beat him in ten rounds, but the defeat was reversed in a return twelve-round contest.

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FOLLOWING Pep among the featherweights, is Sal Bartolo, the N.B.A. title-holder, who a few weeks ago received a handsome sterling silver belt from the National Boxing Association, one similar to the belt awarded to Willie Pep a few months ago by THE RING. Sal, recently out of the Merchant Marine, despite his service, was in seven fights, of which he won all but his first. In that, he lost to Gus Mell, but beat Mell in a return bout and scored over Al Pennino, Freddie Russo, Maxie Shapiro, Pedro Firpo and Jock Leslie.

One of the outstanding young men of the division is the former N.B.A. title-holder, Phil Terranova, who dropped two decisions, one to Pep in the only world *(Continued on page 41)*

How Boxers *of the* World *are* Grouped *by* "The Ring" for 1945

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Heavyweights
World's Champion
Joe Louis, Detroit, Mich.

Ratings based on year's performances.
1—Tami Mauriello, New York.
2—Jimmy Bivins, Cleveland, O.
3—Lee Oma, Detroit, Mich.
4—Elmer Ray, Tampa, Fla.
5—Bruce Woodcock, England.
6—Arturo Godoy, Chile.
7—Jersey Joe Wolcott, Camden, N. J.
8—Joey Maxim, Cleveland, O.
9—Melio Bettina, Beacon, N. Y.
10—Lee Savold, Paterson, N. J.
11—Joe Baksi, Kulpmont, Pa.

Group I

Johnny Allen, Philadelphia, Pa.; Gunnar Barlund, New York; Eddie Blunt, New York; Pat Comiskey, Paterson, N. J.; Clent Conway, New York.

Perk Daniels, Chicago, Ill.; Verne Esco, Toronto, Canada; Freddie Fiducia, Newark, N. J.; Tiger Jack Fox, Spokane, Wash.; Billy Grant, Orange, N. J.

Bob Garner, Louisville, Ky.; Johnny Haynes, Buffalo, N. Y.; Yancey Henry, Baltimore, Md.; Al Hoosman, California; Leo Maher, Montreal, Canada.

Larry Lane, Trenton, N. J.; Louis Long, Chicago, Ill.; Earle Lowman, Detroit, Mich.; Teddy Lowry, Spokane, Wash.; Nathan Mann, New Haven, Conn.; Lou Nova, Alameda, Cal.; George Parks, Washington, D. C.; Teddy Randolph, New York; Frank Poreda, Jersey City; Buddy Scott, Jacksonville, Fla.

Ken Shaw, Dundee, Scotland; Curtis Sheppard, Pittsburgh, Pa.; John Thomas, Miami, Florida; Buddy Walker, Columbus, O.; Clayton Worlds, Chicago, Ill.; Frank Zamoras, Orange, N. J.; Bobby Zander, Los Angeles, Cal.

Group II

Reg Andrews, England; Harold Blackshear, California; Harry Berntsen, Norway; Lou Brooks, Wilmington, Del.; Big Boy Brown, Detroit, Mich.; Clarence Brown, Chicago, Ill.

Jimmy Carollo, Astoria, L. I.; Abel Cestac, Argentine; Colion Chaney, Indianapolis, Ind.; Lee Croft, Spokane, Wash.; Johnny Denson, Indianapolis, Ind.; Steve Dudas, Edgewater, New Jersey.

George Giambastiani, Los Angeles, Cal.; Al Hart, Washington, D. C.; Hubert Hood, Chicago; John Hubbard, Milwaukee, Wis.; Paul Jackson, Portland, Oregon; Henry Jones, Philadelphia, Pa.; Herb Jones, Indianapolis, Ind.

Art McAlpine, Springfield, Mass.; Carrington McNutt, Baltimore, Md.; Johnny Melko, Worcester, Mass.; Fernando Menichelli, Argentine; Newsboy Millich, California; Dixie Oliver, Houston, Texas; Rusty Payne, California.

Jock Porter, Scotland; O'Dell Riley, Chicago, Ill.; Jackie Saunders, Philadelphia, Pa.

Martin Thornton, Ireland; Al Timmons, Cleveland, O.; J. D. Turner, Dallas, Texas; Al Ware, Oakland, California; Johnny White, Jersey City, New Jersey; Eddie Phillips, England.

Group III

Sal Bernadino, Bridgeport, Conn.; Al Blake, Baltimore, Md.; Jim Bowden, Miami, Fla.; Alf Brown, Catford, England; Art Bomber Brown, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Jimmy Crawford, Cliffside, N. J.; Wallace Cross, Newark, N. J.

John Donnelly, Los Angeles, Calif.; Billy Duncan, Buffalo, N. Y.; Johnny Ebarb, California; Doug Ellison, California; McKinley English, Detroit, Mich.; Jimmy Gardner, Camden, N. J.

Norm Harvey, Australia; Nat Hines, Philadelphia, Pa.; Eddie Jackson, California; Bearcat Jones, Pittsburgh, Pa. Herbie Katz, New York; Moose Kennedy, Portland, Ore.; Pete Lakovich, Fresno, Cal.; Larry Lovett, Baltimore, Md.; Bernard McNally, Cambridge, Mass.

Bill Peterson, Indian Harbor, Ind.; George Preston, England; Tom Reddington, England; Charley Roth, Cincinnati, O.; Jim Schwimmer, Baltimore, Md.; Gus Schlee, Buffalo, N. Y.; Nolan Sharp, Los Angeles, California; Sam Shumway, Boston, Mass.; Billy Sullivan, Chicago, Ill.

Henry Taylor, Philadelphia, Pa.; Johnny Vorce, Detroit, Mich.; John Weatherford, Indianapolis, Ind.

Group IV

Elliott Beckman, Los Angeles, Cal.; Don Bigger, Baltimore, Md.; Jimmy Brown, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Frank Catola, Providence, R. I.; Lon Clark, Philadelphia, Pa.; Marty Clark, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Ray Cobbs, Boston, Mass.; Henry Cooper, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Jimmy Davenport, Philadelphia, Pa.; Al Davis, Washington, D. C.; Johnny Davis, Brooklyn, New York.

Linty Elliott, New York; Cy Ellison, New York; Earl Eppinger, New York; Cleo Everett, New York.

Roughhouse Finney, Camden, N. J.; Johnny Flanagan, Chicago, Ill.; Battling Jack Flood, Spokane, Wash.

Billy Gilbert, St. Louis, Mo.; Major Kagle, California; Hal Glassman, Philadelphia, Pa.; Bud Gregory, Binghamton, N. Y.

Tiger Henning, Tampa, Fla.; Moise Howard, New Orleans, La.; Jack Huber, Vancouver, B. C., Canada.

Eddie Jackson, California; Connie Jeffrey, New York; Arthur Red Jeter, Washington, D. C.; Matt Jiminez, Oakland, Cal.; Austin Johnson, Atlantic City, N. J.; Charley Johnson, Los Angeles, Cal.; Tiz Jones, West Virginia; Al Jordan, Chicago, Ill.; Eddie Kelly, Oakland, Cal.; Capt. Steve Ludman, Wilmington, Del.

Steve Ketchel, Boston; Johnny Kinsler, New York; Al Laboa, Cal.; Bobby "Robbin" Lee, Baltimore; Charley Lomski, Paterson, N. J.; Artis Mack, Los Angeles, Cal.; Leo Maher, Montreal, Canada.

Dave Mason, Cleveland, O.; Dan Merritt, Cleveland, O.; Al Mitchell, Buffalo, N. Y.; Nap Mitchell, Philadelphia, Pa.; Vern Mitchell, Detroit, Mich.; Bob Miller, New York; Stanley Myka, Buffalo, N. Y.

Billy Nitchy, Buffalo, N. Y.; Mike O'Grady, Cal.; Casey O'Hara, Cal.; Dave Patterson, Akron, O.; Carlton Perry, Cal.; Ernie Pope, Washington, D. C.; Jack Hannon Porter, San Francisco, Cal.; Bob Ramsey, West Virginia.

John Rowsey, West Virginia; Fred Russell, Cal.; Larry Shuck, New York; Norman Tweel, West Virginia; Frankie Urban, Worcester, Mass.

Noel Wagener, England; Buddy Waterman, Detroit, Mich.; Wee Willie Williams, San Francisco, Cal.; Harry Wills, South Bend, Ind.; Jimmy Wilson, Cal.; Pug Wilson, Gary, Ind.; Eddie (Unknown) Winston, Hartford, Conn.; Jimmy White, Newark, N. J.; Jimmy Young, Florida.

Light-heavyweights
World's Champion
Gus Lesnevich, Clifton, N. J.

Ratings based on year's performances.
1—Archie Moore, St. Louis, Mo.
2—Lloyd Marshall, Sacramento, Cal.
3—Phil Muscato, Buffalo, N. Y.
4—Freddie Mills, England.
5—Joe Kahut, Portland, Oregon.
6—Herb Narvo, Australia.
7—Billy Fox, Philadelphia, Pa.
8—Nate Bolden, Chicago, Ill.
9—Jack Johnson, Australia.
10—Walter Woods, New York.
11—Fitzie Fitzpatrick, Oak Park, W. Va.

Group I

Jackie Burke, San Jose, Cal.; Silent Escobar, Cal.; Johnny Clark, Detroit; Prentiss Hall, Buffalo, N. Y.; Henry Hall, New Orleans, La.; Alabama Kid, Australia; Jack Marr, Australia; Jack Young, Australia; George Kochan, Akron, O.

Group II

Onelio Agramonte, Cuba; Len Bennett, England; Jerry Berthiaume, Montreal, Can.; Syd Brown, Panama.

Ern Clingan, Australia; Ralph De John, Syracuse; John Eskew, Brockton, Mass.; Danny Devlin, Allentown, Pa.; Davey Feld Brooklyn, N. Y.; Howard Fenske, Detroit, Mich.; Young Frisco, Australia; Alf Gallagher, Australia.

Tee Hubert, Philadelphia, Pa.; Tiger Watson Jones, California; Gene Moody, Scotland.

Pat O'Connor, England; Mack Parshay, Detroit, Mich.; Bob Peters, Australia.

Tuffy Reed, Newark, N. J.; Eddie Rossi, Boston, Mass.; Bob Satterfield, Chicago, Ill.; Tiger Sheppard, Texas.

Gene Simmons, Indianapolis, Ind.; Ross Strickland, New York; Eddie Taylor, Detroit, Mich.

Group III

Ray Acosta, Los Angeles; Allen Arnett, California; Len Bennett, England; Leroy Bolden, Vallejo, Cal.

Tommy Campanelli, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Vince Gigante, New York; Tommy Gillo, New Haven; Oscar Goode, Newark, N. J.

Tyrus Hawkins, California; Jack Hill, Bloomington, Ill.; Al Johnson, Washington, D. C.; Billy Johnson, Wilmington, Del.; Ken Johnson, Dayton, O.

Al Marson, England; Buddy Millard, Indianapolis, Ind.; Gaston Miller, U.S.A.; Jimmy Mulligan, Lowell, Mass.; Jimmy O'Brien, New York.

Francis Ogg, Sacramento, Cal.; Billy Pappas, Reading, Pa.; Vincent Pimpinella, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Charles Polk, St. Louis, Mo.; James Polk, Trenton, N. J.

Hank Postaway, Detroit, Mich.; Alex Rebark, Pawtucket, R. I.; Big Ben Russ, Atlantic City, N. J.; Leroy Scales, Chicago, Ill.; Al Sheridan, Indiana; Walter Smith, Detroit, Mich.; Leon Szymurski, Chester, Pa.; Tony Shumway, Boston, Mass.

Eddie Turner, Bangor, Me.; Leroy Watson, Norfolk, Va.; Ernie Woods, San Francisco, Cal.; Tommy Woodyard, Columbus, O.; Mel Workman, Chicago, Ill.

Group IV

Eddie Adourian, Cranston, R. I.; Freddie Bailey, Uniontown, O.; Morris Bellanger, Fall River, Mass.; Lonny Boyd, Dayton, O.; Lonnie Bowdin, West Virginia; Jerry Brown, California; Russ Baxter, New Castle, Pa.

Jimmy Brown, Cincinnati, O.; Jack Butler, California; Pedro Carsonia, Indianapolis, Ind.; Harold Christensen, New York.

Archie Coles, Newark, N. J.; Duncan Curry, California; Willie Davis, Youngstown, O.; Stanley Edwards, Syracuse, N. Y.; Ralph DeJohn, Buffalo, N. Y.

Leroy Fleming, Washington, D. C.; Ezra Gooderham, West Virginia; Ansel Green, Bangor, Maine; Joe Green, Washington, D. C.; Norman Hawes, New York; Mike Gagne, Webster, Mass.

Johnny Harwood, Hartford, Conn.; Billy Heaps, Carnegie, Pa.; Jimmy Holden, Elizabeth, N. J.; Ira Hughes, Buffalo, N. Y.; Henry Jackson, California; Jack Johnson, Trinidad; Billy Jones, Philadelphia, Pa.; Willie Johnson, California; Maynard Jones, Wilmington, Del.; Russ Jones, West Virginia; Steve Kish, Garfield, N. J.; Al King, Cleveland, O.; John Langley, Springfield, Mass.; Robert Ledbetter, Newark, N. J.; Jimmy Long, Philadelphia, Pa.; Tony Kahut, Portland, Ore.

Nick Manfredo, Baltimore, Md.; Young Mitchell, Columbus, O.; Gil Mojica, California; Jimmy Nelson, Cleveland, O.; Ted Nichols, Cincinnati, O.; Joe O'Connell, Baltimore, Md.; Earl Moody, Akron, O.

Douglas Rhone, St. Paul, Minn.; Booker Robinson, Philadelphia, Pa.; Paul Roderick, Washington, D. C.; Ray Scully, Reading, Pa.; Waddell Washington, Worcester, Mass.

Warner Holland, Vancouver, B. C., Can.; Irish Ray Kelly, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Joe Butch Lynch, Plainfield, N. J.

Middleweights
World's Champion
Tony Zale, Gary, Ind.

Ratings based on year's performances.
1—Jake LaMotta, New York.
2—Holman Williams, Detroit, Mich.
3—Charley Burley, Pittsburgh, Pa.
4—Rocky Graziano, New York.
5—Marcel Cerdan, France.
6—Bee Bee Washington, Washington, D. C.
7—Steve Belloise, New York.
8—Jock McAvoy, England.
9—Marcus Lockman, New York.
10—Wildcat George Henry, Los Angeles, Cal.
11—Jimmy Edgar, Detroit, Mich.
12—Ruben Shank, Denver, Colo.
13—Bert Lytell, Fresno, Cal.
14—Cocoa Kid, New Haven, Conn.
15—Aaron Tiger Wade, San Francisco, Cal.
16—Jose Basora, Puerto Rico.
17—Harold Green, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Group I

Paul Altman, Houston, Texas; Frankie Augustain, Los Angeles; Cliff Beckett, Ontario, Can.; Hockey Bennell, Australia; Joe Bennett, New York.

Bobby Brown, Philadelphia, Pa.; Buzz Brown, St. Paul, Minn.; Collins Brown, Chicago, Ill.; Marvin Bryant, Dallas, Texas; Alex Buxton, Australia; Max Cameron, Australia.

Joe Carter, Rome, N. Y.; Johnny Carter, Philadelphia, Pa.; Henry Chemel, Portland, Ore.; Vic Dellicurti, New York; George Elliott, Australia; Reedy Evans, Chicago, Ill.

Johnny Finazzo, Baltimore, Md.; Jerry Fiorello, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Larry Fontana, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Bert Gilroy, Scotland; Ossie Bulldog Harris, Pittsburgh, Pa.; George Sonny Horne, Niles, O.; Vince Hawkins, England.

Izzy Jannazzo, New York; Sgt. Mad Anthony Jones, Richmond, Va.; Jack Kirkland, Australia; Berlie Lanier, Philadelphia, Pa.; Johnny Lawer, Cleveland, Ohio; Cosby Linson, New Orleans, La.

Artie Levine, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Paul Lewis, Oakland, Cal.; Art Lind, Hawaii; Ricky Luciano, Harrisburg, Pa.; Jock McCusker, Scotland; Wild Bill McDowell, Houston, Texas; Jack McNamee, Australia; Van McNutt, New York; Tony Martin, Milwaukee, Wis.; Lenny Mancini, Youngstown, O.

Roy Miller, California; Silent Miller, Detroit, Mich.; Jesse Moraney, Harrisburg, Pa.; Glenn Northcutt, Spokane, Wash.; Mario Ochoa, Cuba; Saint Paul (Charles Nunnally), Springfield, Mass.; Paulie Peters, San Francisco, Cal.; Powell Sampson, Detroit, Mich.; Joe Reddick, Paterson, N. J.

Tommy Roman, Bayonne, N. J.; Vinnie Rosano, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Dave Sands, Australia; Frankie Terry, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Pat Saia, Philadelphia, Pa.

Vincent Villavicencio, Tecate, Mexico; Vinnie Vines, Schenectady, N. Y.; Aaron Wade, San Francisco, Cal.; Len Wadsworth, Hamilton, Ont.

Frankie Wills, Washington, D. C.; Alan Woodbury, Australia; Lou Woods, Detroit, Mich.

Group II

Don Anderson, New York; Sam Barodi, Akron, O.; Bell O'Neill, Detroit, Mich.; Bobby Berger, Los Angeles, Cal.; Joe Blackwood, Paterson, N. J.; Oscar Boyd, Buffalo; Speedy Cannon, Seattle, Wash.; Charley Catos, Oakland, Cal.; Julio Cerna, Mexico; Dave Clark, Detroit, Mich.; Johnny Clements, England; Tommy Colteaux, Australia; Al Conway, Australia.

Bobby Dance, New York; Gentle Daniel, Trinidad; Tommy Davies, Wales; Curley Denton, Cincinnati, O.; Irish Mickey Doyle, Sudbury, Ont.; Bennie Droll, Peoria, Ill.; Jimmy Dundee, Australia; Walter Speedy Duval, Baltimore, Md.

Tony Elizondo, San Antonio, Tex.; Augie Fleischauer, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Indian Gomez, Havana, Cuba; Eddie Halligan, Oakland, Cal.; Les Hardy, Australia; George Howard, England; Mark Hart, England.

Tommy Jones, England; Vinnie Jones, New York; Kid Lester, San Diego, Cal.; Johnny Mar, Cambridge, Mass.; Danny Martin, Newark, N. J.; Coolidge Miller, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Ray Miller, Kansas City, Kan.; Johnny Moran, Boston, Mass.

Charley Padalino, Detroit, Mich.; Jay Paganelli, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Carlos Perez, Cuba.

Al Red Priest, Cambridge, Mass.; Random Ramsey, Cincinnati, O.; Red Rasmussen, California; Art Robinson, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Edgar Robinson, Los Angeles, Cal.

Buddy Rose, Cincinnati, O.; Johnny Ryan, Detroit, Mich.; Freddie Simmons, Philadelphia, Pa.; Ritchie Sands, Australia; Eddie Saunders, New York; Willis Scott, New York; Juan Serrano, Cuba.

Wilfe Shanks, Montreal, Can.; Mike Sopko, East Chicago, Ill.; Ray Spurlock, Minneapolis, Minn.; Bill Standering, Australia; Roman Starr, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Johnny Walker, Philadelphia, Pa.; Bee Bee Washington, Washington, D. C.; Willie Watkins, Detroit, Mich.; Kenny Watkins, California; Coley Welch, Portland, Me.; J. C. Wilkins, New York; Clarence Wilkinson, New York; Louis Wise, California; Solly Zalter, Elizabeth, N. J.

Group III

Top Row Jimmy Allen, California; Wayne Armstrong, San Antonio, Tex.; Ernest Barnwell, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Lee Black, New York; Jimmy Boggs, California; Willard Buckless, Saugus, Mass.; Luther Brent, Chicago, Ill.; Frankie Calzo, San Diego, Cal.; Len Clover, Australia; Larry Carter, Richmond, Cal.

Jimmy Davis, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Arnold Deer, Indianapolis, Ind.; Tony Del Gatto, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Ralph Dougherty, Newark, N. J.; Johnny Eaton, Detroit, Mich.; Ellis Booker, St. Paul, Minn.; Jimmy Coleman, Los Angeles, Cal.; Walter Cunningham, Newark, N. J.; Everett Duane, California; Reecy Davis, California.

Andy Faison, New York; Johnny Finney, Philadelphia, Pa.; Clem Fitzpatrick, New York; Irish Bob Flannigan, Ontario, Can.

Freddie Graham, New York; Jimmy Hill, Harrisburg, Pa.; Jimmy Hockley, England; Herschel Joiner, Cincinnati, O.; Ben Johnson, Houston, Texas; Ralph Lee, California; Mike Butch Lucas, Providence, R. I.; Paddy Lyons, England.

Jimmy McDonough, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Jerry McGee, Augusta, Ga.; Charlie McPherson, New York; Henry Matcher, Pittsburgh; Lou Miller, New York; Armando Rodriquez, New York; Ruby Roberts, New York; Leo Panther, North Adams, Mass.

Charley Sardo, Boston, Mass.; Mutt Schwartz, Columbus, O.; Bobby Silva, California; Carmen Sipello, Schenectady, N. Y.; George Small, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Tony Soave, Newport, R. I.; Oscar Suggs, New Bedford, Mass.

Johnny Taylor, Binghamton, N. Y.; Billy Chicken Thompson, Philadelphia, Pa.; Sam Thompson, Detroit, Mich.; Rudy Turner, Buffalo, N. Y.; Ted Turner, Philadelphia, Pa.

Baudelio Valencia, Mexico; Junior Washington, Los Angeles, Cal.; Vepe Watson, California; Cooner White, Westover Field, U.S.A.; Gilbert Whiteside, Los Angeles, Cal.; Harry Williamson, Warren, O.; Do Do Woods, Cincinnati, O.; Al Wright, San Diego, Cal.; Jackie Wilson, England; Irish Johnny Smith, Boston, Mass.

Group IV

Henry Anderson, Boston, Mass.; Al Bojac, Providence, R. I.

Lil' Abner, Portland, Ore.; Tommy Baker, Boston, Mass.; Jack Barker, New York; Eric Best, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Albin Buczek, Lackawanna, Pa.; Mannie Cabral, Cambridge, Mass.; Jackie Caparell, Boston, Mass.; Dave Carver, New York; Johnny Checko, Mount Pleasant, N. J.; Maurice Clothier, Manchester, Vt.; Willie Collins, Mickey Colton, Boston, Mass.; Walker Coombs, Springfield, Mass.; Jackie Cooper, Los Angeles, Cal.; Chief Crazy Hat, Poplar, Mont.; Ray Crews, Ellwood City, Pa.; Julie Cross, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Harry Daniels, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Benny Davis, Portchester, N. Y.; Johnny Ditto, Baltimore, Md.; Charley Dodson, St. Louis, Mo.; Al Donofrio, Waterbury, Conn.; Bert Dowell, Detroit, Mich.; Wayland Douglas, Newark.

Marty Doyle, Detroit, Mich.; Randy Drew, Springfield, Mass.; Johnny Eagle, Detroit, Mich.; Jimmy Edwards, California; Hank Egli, Vancouver, B. C.; Joe Ellington, Buffalo, N. Y.; Al Evans, Montreal, Can.; Billy Evans, Newark, New Jersey.

Caesar Ferro, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Eddie Finazzo, Baltimore, Md.; Jimmy Fox, Baltimore, Md.; Rudy Franklin, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rudy Garcia, Puerto Rico; Cyril Gettins, New York; Nate Gibson, California; Bobby Giles, Buffalo, N. Y.; Jesse Gomez, San Antonio, Tex.; Billy Goodman, Philadelphia, Pa.

Ted Gordon, New York; Tommy Green, Lawrenceville, Pa.; Larry Gudgill, Dayton, O.; Billy Hardaway, New York; Arthur Hardy, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Joey Hartfield, Omaha, Neb.; Johnny Harvey, Portchester, N. Y.; Bob Hawkins, California.

Billy Hildebrand, Morristown, N. J.; Sam Hughes, Detroit; Georgie Humes, East Hartford, Conn.; Billy Jackson, West Va.; Ran Jackson, Texas; Gene Johnson, Vancouver, B. C.; Johnny Johnson, Philadelphia, Pa.; Len Johnson, California; Willie Johnson, Chicago, Ill.

Bobby Jones, Oakland, Cal.; Charlie Jones, New York; Ernie Jones, California; Sid Jones, San Jose, Cal.; Jimmy King, New York; Ernie Kapps, Worcester, Mass.; Cleveland Kelly, Oakland, Cal.

Tommy Latch, Philadelphia, Pa.; Dick Lee, Miami, Fla.; Ozzie Lewis, Los Angeles, Cal.; Freddie Lott, Newark, N. J.; Jim Lydon, England; Pete Leno, Cincinnati, O.

Eddie McGee, Macon, Ga.; Mike McKessick, Indianapolis, Ind.; Sandy Mack, Miami, Fla.; Eddie Mahoney, New York; Jimmy Mandell, Buffalo, N. Y.; Joey Mandell, Tampa, Fla.

Perry Mason, Toledo, O.; Basil Mazerak, Cambridge, Mass.; Nick Melli, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Tommy Merrill, Philadelphia, Pa.; Midget Mexico, Dallas, Tex.

Lou Mosely, California; Eddie Mosette, California; Bob Murphy, San Diego, Cal.; Hugh Murphy, New York; Sammy Muscato, Buffalo, N. Y.; Chic Musgrove, California.

Ted Newsome, Detroit, Mich.; Buster Peaks, Detroit, Mich.; Al Pecora, Newark, N. J.; Tony Petro, Boston, Mass.; Al Pittman, Imperial, Cal.

Tony Reno, Chicago, Ill.; Henry Rich, California; Johnny Riley, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Art Robinson, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Joe Robinson, New York; Johnny Roland, San Francisco, Cal.; Jack Rowsey, West Virginia; Bob Ryan, Boston, Mass.; Top Ramsey, Cincinnati, O.

George Sapolich, Johnstown, Pa.; Bill Simmons, San Mateo, Cal.; Al Slocum, California; George Sparry, Reading, Pa.; J. D. Spencer, San Diego, Cal.; Eddie Steele, Macon, Ga.

Jim Tate, Philadelphia, Pa.; Art Taylor, San Diego, Cal.

Van Vecie, Milwaukee, Wis.; Leroy Wade, San Francisco, Cal.; Al Williams, Los Angeles, Cal.; Alonzo Williams, Los Angeles, Cal.; Dom Youvella, New York.

George Hairston, West Virginia; Nate Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Al Carson Manchester, Vt.; Carmen De John, Syracuse, N. Y.; Cleve Kelly, Oakland, Cal.; Vic Chambers, Morristown, N. J.; Tommy Keene, New London, Conn.; Jimmy Wilson, Chicago; Harry Wright, Cincinnati, O.

Welterweights
World's Champion
Freddie Cochrane, Elizabeth, N. J.

Ratings based on year's performances.
1—Ray Robinson, New York.
2—Freddie Cochrane, Elizabeth, N. J.
3—Tippy Larkin, Garfield, N. J.
4—Jimmy Doyle, Los Angeles, Cal.
5—Sammy Angott, Washington, Pa.
6—Marty Servo, Schenectady, N. Y.
7—Beau Jack, Augusta, Ga.
8—Tommy Bell, Cleveland, O.
9—Ernie Roderick, England.
10—Nick Moran, Jalisco, Mexico.
11—Johnny Greco, Montreal, Can.
12—Tony Janiro, Youngstown, O.
13—Arthur Danahar, England.
14—Chuck Hunter, Cleveland, O.
15—Freddie Archer, Newark, N. J.
16—Billy Arnold, Philadelphia, Pa.

Group I

Sammy Adragna, Carnegie, Pa.; Bill Alvarez, Puerto Rico.

Frankie Abrams, Detroit, Mich.; Kid Azteca, Mexico City; Henry Armstrong, Los Angeles, Cal.

Hankin Barrows, Panama City; Jackie Kid Berg, London, England; Maxie Berger, Montreal, Canada; Howie Brodt, Oneida, N. Y.

Freddie Camuso, Fall River, Mass.; Babe Coullimber, Havana, Cuba; Joe Curcio, Newark, New Jersey; Johnny Cesario, Boston.

Jackie Daniels, Australia; Tito Despaigne, Panama; Artie Dorrell, Tyler, Texas; George Red Doty, Hartford, Conn.; Lige Drew, Springfield, Mass.

Neva Esparza, Mexico City; Benny Evans, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Tony Falco, Middletown, Conn.; Antonio Fernandez, Panama; Lefty Satan Flynn, England; Ernie Forte, Providence, R. I.; Johnny Forte, Philadelphia, Pa.; Robert Fowler, Chicago, Ill.; Charley Fusari, Newark, N. J.

Johnny Green, Buffalo, N. Y.; Henry Hall, England; Lew Jenkins, Sweetwater, Texas; Johnny Jones, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Danny Kapilow, New York City; Joe Keyes, Los Angeles Cal.

Bobby Lakin, Worcester, Mass.; Joey LaMotta, New York; Memo Llanes, California; Kenny LaSalle, California; Don Lee, Edison, Neb.; Joe Legon, Cuba; Jimmy McDaniels, Los Angeles, Cal.

Bobby McIntire, Detroit, Mich.; Carlos Malacara, Mexico City; Phil Palmer, Vancouver, B. C.; Charley Parham, Chicago, Ill.; Bill Parsons, Danville, Ill.; Aaron Perry, Washington, D. C.

Sheik Rangel, California; Morris Reif, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Tony Riccio, Bayonne, N. J.; Genaro Rojo, Hartford, Conn.; Ray Rovelli, Elizabeth, N. J.; Willie Russell, Columbus, O.; Jackie Ryan, San Francisco, Cal.; Laverne Roach, Plainview, Tex.

George Sands, Australia; Jimmy Sherrer, Milwaukee, Wis.; Chester Slider, Fresno, Cal.; Laurie Stevens, Johannesburg, S.A.; Earl Turner, Richmond, Cal.; Tommy Ward, Australia; Bee Bee Washington, Washington, D. C.; Johnny Williams, Montgomery, Ala.; Ralph Zannelli, Providence, R. I.; Fritzie Zivic, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Bobby Zollo, Providence, R. I.; Jackie Wilson, Cleveland, O.; Bee Bee Wright, Clairton, Va.

Group II

Al Barbosa, North Corner, Mass.; Flashy Bastian, Philippines; Ike Blair, El Centro, Calif.; Al Batano, California; Art Brown, Chicago, Ill.; Cpl. Dave Bruce, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Jimmy Brunt, England.

Freddie Cabral, Cambridge, Mass.; Buster Carroll, Jacksonville, Fla.; Ballesandro Carubia, Astoria, L. I.; Burl Charity, Youngstown, O.; Tom Collins, New Haven, Conn.; Vic Costa, New York; Auriel Coutoure, Bangor, Me.; Bobby Cummings, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rudy Campa, Los Angeles, Cal.

Sammy Daniels, Baltimore, Md.; Harry Davis, England; Billy Deeg, San Antonio, Texas; Rene De Leon, California; Billy Jiggs Donahue, Philadelphia, Pa.; Ray Dunn, Australia; Lennox Dingle, Philadelphia, Pa.

Charley Early, San Diego, Cal.; Tommy Egan, San Francisco, Cal.; Don Ellis, Washington, D. C.

Allen Faulkner, Buffalo, N. Y.; Paul "Country" Ferguson, Greensboro, N. C.; Anunzio Ferrera, Milwaukee, Wis.; Filipino Kid, Mexico City; Lou Fortuna, Philadelphia, Pa.; Billy Furrone, Philadelphia, Pa.

Norville Gaddis, Baltimore, Md.; Patsy Gall, New York; Joey Gambaro, New York; Mick Gibbons, England; Pat Giordano, Montreal, Can.

Lew Hanbury, Washington, D. C.; Smuggy Hursey, Baltimore, Md.; Major Jones, Kansas City, Kan.; Henry Jordan, Philadelphia, Pa.

Leon Kennedy, New York; Ruby Kessler, New York.

Al LaBarba, New York; Vincent LaSalva, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Maurice Lavigne, Montreal, Can.; Harry Lazar, England; Billy McCarthy, England.

Bobby Maloney, Homestead, Pa.; Al Malloy, Newark, N. J.; Jimmy Malloy, Liverpool, England; Sammy Mammone, Stamford, Conn.; Billy Marsden, Australia; Jimmy Mills, Valley Stream, L. I.; Jimmy Moore, England; Al Moran, Australia; Billy Morris, Baltimore, Md.

George Odwell, England; Mayon Padlo, Philadelphia, Pa.; Irving Palefsky, New York; Julio Pedroso, Cuba; Jackie Peters, Trenton, N. J.; Jimmy Pierce, Vancouver, B. C.

Torpedo Reed, Los Angeles, Cal.; Sparky Reynolds, Indianapolis, Ind.; Johnny Ricco, San Francisco, Cal.; Bobby Richardson, Cleveland, O.; Sal Richie, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Don Robinson, Chicago, Ill.; Chino Rodriguez, California; Leo Romanello, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Ross Romero, San Francisco, Cal.; Frankie Ross, Boston, Mass.; Louis Rousse, New Orleans, La.

Jack Samuels, Australia; Clem Sands, Newcastle, Australia; Ritchie Sands, Australia; Al Seidman, Scranton, Pa.; Dick Shields, Liverpool, Eng.; Baby Sims, Atlanta, Ga.; Bob Simmons, Chicago, Ill.; Benny Singleton, Waterbury, Conn.; Harold "Jamaica" Smith, Philadelphia, Pa.; Billy Stevens, Tillicoultry, Scotland; Solomon Stewart, New York City; Artie Tedesco, Jersey City, N. J.

Chuck Taylor, Ft. Belvoir, Va.; Irish Johnny Taylor, Oakland, Cal.; Jack Terrence, Australia; Tommy Trottman, Australia; Leo Turner, Portland, Oregon; Ralph Turner, Washington, D. C.

Gus Vargo, New York; Jimmy Vaughn, England; Alejandro Vega, California; Freddie Veratti, Springfield, Mass.; Tony Vero, Rome, N. Y.; Manuel Villa, El Paso, Texas.

Melvin Wade, Baltimore, Md.; Billy Walker, Newcastle, England; King Kong Walker, Baltimore, Md.; Seaman John Ginger Waters, Belfast, Ireland; Charley Wells, Gary, Ind.; Petey Wheatstraw, Los Angeles, Cal.; Benny Williams, Newark, N. J.; Danny Williams, Albany, N. Y.; George Williams, W. Va.; Gwynn Williams, England; Kid Williams, Braddock, Pa.; Lon Williams, Australia; Louis Wise, California; Berry Wright, Cleveland, Ohio.

Baby Yucatan, Mexico City.

Group III

Jimmy Anest, New York City; Gene Boland, Detroit, Mich.; Jackie Byrd, Van Buren, Ark.

Thaddeus Cabey, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Bozo Al Costantino, New York; Flattop Cummings, Washington, D. C.

Frankie Daniels, Valley Stream, L. I.; Steve D'Apoli, New York; George Dilks, England; Tony DeRosa, Astoria, L. I.

Whalen Douglas, New York; Alex Doyle, Garfield, N. J.; Harvey Dubs, Windsor, Ont.; Johnny Duke, Hartford, Conn.; Eddie Dunne, New York; Harry Durden, Brooklyn.

Willie Edmunds, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Joey Falco, Philadelphia, Pa.; Frank Feener, New York; Billy Furrone, Philadelphia, Pa.

Cyril Galle, England; Joe Gannon, Washington, D. C.; Tommy Gargano, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Patsy Gell, Hazleton, Pa.; Eddie Gettys, New

Orleans, La.; Vert Gibson, Kansas City, Kan.; Rudy Giscombe, New York; Clyde Gordon, Jacksonville, Fla.; Joe Gorman, California; Tony Gouveia, Taunton, Mass.; Bill Grier, Detroit, Mich.; Gene Gudgill, Dayton, O.; Paul Guerrero, California.

Billy Harrison, San Diego, Cal.; George Hill, Philadelphia, Pa.; Sabas Jamito, Honolulu, T.H.; Pedro Jiminez, Vallejo, Cal.; Henry (Art Towne) Johnson, New York; Joe Johnson, Australia; Al Jolson, New Orleans, La.

Enrique Lopez, Mexico; Spider McCallum, Vancouver, B. C.; Pete Martin, Puerto Rico; Mario Miscelli, New Haven, Conn.

Ray Miller, Elwood City, Pa.; Stanley Miller, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Larney Moore, Valley Stream, L. I.; Ken Murphy, Australia; Pat Murray, Paterson, N. J.; Billy Napper, Boston, Mass.; Charley O'Kelly, California.

Freddie Patterson, Rochester, N. Y.; Pat Patucci, Philadelphia, Pa.; Norman Pinault, Newport, R. I.; Jerry Pittro, Chicago, Ill.

Nick Restano, Newark, N. J.; Steve Riggio, New York; Babe Saunders, Los Angeles, Cal.; Leroy Saunders, New York; Al Silverman, New York; Mayhew Smith, Washington, D. C.; Eddie Soares, Fox Point, R. I.; Lincoln Stanley, Oakland, Cal.; Ossie Sussman, Rochester, N. Y.; Hugh Stell, Salina, Kansas; Jimmy Stewart, New Haven, Conn.; Llewellyn Strohlin, Honolulu, T.H.; Frank Sweeney, Washington, D. C.

Len Taglia, Utica, N. Y.; Jimmy Taylor, Jamaica, N. Y.; Jimmy Thompson, New York; Leonard Trader, Wilmington, Del.

Lou Valles, New York; Milt Varsos, Milwaukee, Wis.; Dave Viau, Montreal, Can.; Pete Viratos, Sacramento, Calif.

Bee Zee Washington, Washington, D. C.; Dick Wagner, Oregon City, Ore.; Al Williams, Cincinnati, O.; Bobby Winters, Philadelphia, Pa.; Allie Wolfe, New York; Johnny Worthey, Homestead, Pa.; Willie Wright, England.

Charley Zivic, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Group IV

Johnny Abbott, Cleveland, O.; Duke Abrams, Lincoln, Neb.; Lee Abrams, Hartford, Conn.; Joey Albanese, Boston, Mass.; Danny Aldrich, New York; Harold Alle, Chicago, Ill.; Jay Anderson, Rockaway, L. I.; Jimmy Anderson, England; Miguel Arroya, New York.

George Bacca, Indianapolis, Ind.; Georgie Bass, New York; Wallace Bates, Houston, Texas; Vic Belanger, Syracuse, N. Y.; Mickey Belletiere, Hazleton, Pa.; Arthur Bethea, Washington, D. C.; Tony Bertucci, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Jack Besselman, Lawrenceville, Pa.; Steve Bilko, Sayville, L. I.; Benny Black, Los Angeles, Cal.; Bobby Boniface, California; Gene Boulden, Providence, R. I.; Ceferino Bronco, Fall River, Mass.; Alphonse Brown, Houston, Texas.

Dell Bryant, Buffalo, N. Y.; Allen "Red" Bryant, Florida; Tiger Brown, California; Ernie Butler, Washington, D. C.; Sammy Butler, Washington, D. C.; Pat Byers, Kannapolis, North Carolina.

Don Calcagno, Panama; Antonio Carmona, Puerto Rico; Howard Carr, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Jimmy Carroll, Detroit, Michigan; Young Chappie, Albany, N. Y.; Lefty Chilo, Mexico City; Billy Christensen, Oakland, Cal.; Jackie Connors, Newark, N. J.; Gary "Red Cap" Cooper, Springfield, Mass.; Young Corbett, IV, San Bernardino, Cal.; Martin Collura, Milwaukee, Wis.

Morris Corone, California; Ike Cunningham, Binghamton, N. Y.; Tommy Daniels, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Bob Davis, California; Eddie Davis, Baltimore, Md.; Fist Deaver, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Joe DeMario, Waterbury, Conn.; Fernand Demers, Montreal, Can.; Artie DePietro, New York; Mansfield Driskell, Detroit, Mich.

Morris Elliott, Stamford, Conn., Billy Ellison, Newark, N. J.

Fugio Escabedo, California; Johnny Red Fees, Lebanon, Pa.; Bob Ferris, Los Angeles, Cal.; Charley Finley, New York; Frankie Fisher, New York; Jimmy Florita, Stockton, Cal.; Frankie Foley, Houlton, Me.; Al Franklin, Washington, D. C.

Leo Gagnes, Fall River, Mass.; Jackie Gaines, Cleveland, O.; Red Ralph Garrison, Seattle, Wash.; Mickey Gimmell, Redding, Cal.; Roland Gomes, Fall River, Mass.; Manny Gomez, Tampa, Fla.; Gil Gonzales, California; Archie Goodby, Albany, N. Y.; Ottie Graham, Philadelphia, Pa.; Johnny Gregg, Australia; Joe Gregory, Newark, New Jersey.

Joey Haddad, Paterson, N. J.; Al Haille, Southbridge, Mass.; Oliver Ham, Houston, Texas; Roy Hanbury, Washington, D. C.; Roy Harmon, Los Angeles, Calif.; Duke Harris, Spokane, Wash.; Emmett Harris, Baltimore, Md.; Russ Hawkins, Jamaica, L. I.; Jerry Heimowitz, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Charley Hilton, Philadelphia, Pa.; Carlton Holmes, Boston, Mass.; Bobby Holt, Danbury, Conn.; Charley Howard, New York; Alvin Howell, Detroit, Mich.; Charlie Howley, Chester, Pa.; Jess Humble, California; Nat Hutchins, Elizabeth, N. J.

Al Jackson, Chicago, Ill.; Buddy Jackson, Newark, N. J.; Kenny James, Waterbury, Conn.; Tommy James, Chicago, Ill.; Ted Jamison, California; Carl Janke, Batavia, N. Y.; Gene Jensen; San Diego, Cal.; Luther Johnson, Oakland, Cal.; McCoy Jones, Camden, N. J.; Will Jones, Los Angeles, Cal.; Bill Jordan, Chicago, Ill.; Sam Justine, Philadelphia, Pa.

Sam Kaelkini, California; Red Keck, Houston, Texas; Frankie Keith, New York; Jim Kennedy, New York; James Tiger Kiggans, Indianapolis, Ind.; Morton Klein, New York; Richard Lamb, California; Paul Lassiter, California.

Milton Lattimore, Beacon, N. Y.; Ray Laurie, Hartford, Conn.; Don Leon, Washington, D. C.; Frankie Les, Baltimore, Md.

Elmer Lewis, California; Russ Long, Los Angeles, Cal.; Mike Lopez, California; Lee Lott, Miami; Young Joe Louis, Trinidad, B.W.I.; Sal Lupo, Boston, Mass.; Baby Bert Lytell, Oakland, California.

Alonzo McDaniels, Los Angeles, Cal.; George McKinney, Albany, N. Y.; Henry McNeil, Philadelphia, Pa.

Tony Mancuso, Montreal, Can.; Sammy Mack, Columbus, O.; Tony Marr, White Plains, N. Y.; Billy Mayfield; California; Vincent Mazac, Houston, Texas; Jimmy Mazzio, Garfield, N. J.; Johnny Meadows, California; Ralph Mendoza, California; Herman Mills, Chicago, Ill.; Charley Moore, Binghamton, N. Y.; Fritz Moore, Albany, N. Y.; Jack Moore, New York, Rogers Muriel, Elizabeth, N. J.; Joey Murphy, Harrisburg, Pa.; Pedro Montez, Vancouver, B. C.; Tommy Montez, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Tony Neives, California; Lenny Nelson, Detroit, Mich.; Ferol Norris, Tampa, Fla.; Willie Odom, New York; Mickey O'Brien, Bangor, Me.; Paul Ogre, West Virginia; Chester Orr, Vancouver, B. C.

Sam Parent, Lowell, Mass.; Jimmy Parks, Garfield, N. J.; Joe Parsons, Miami, Fla.; Verne Patterson, Chicago, Ill.; Mickey Paul, Boston, Mass.; Eddie Petrone, Philadelphia, Pa.; Al Pinel, New Bedford, Mass.; Edgar Poe, Annapolis, Md.; Charley Pope, Milwaukee, Wis.; Bobby Pryor, Chicago, Ill.

Babe Querion, Waterville, Me.

Leo Renaud, Fall River, Mass.; Aster Rice, Binghamton, N. Y.; Gary Rice, Washington, D. C.; Dave Riley, St. Louis, Mo.; Jimmy Riley, Worcester, Mass.; Johnny Rinaldi, New York; Al Rivers, California; Ernie Cat Robinson, New York.

Jimmy Rodgers, Bridgeport, Conn.; Pete Romero, San Francisco, Cal.; Arthur Ross, New Orleans, La.; Stocky Rowe, Miami, Fla.; Tony Ryles, Newark, N. J.

Young Salvador, San Diego, Cal.; Jimmy "Bud" Scouten, Binghamton, N. Y.; Al Singleton, Cal.; Eddie Snead, Washington, D. C.; Walter Stanback, Englewood, N. J.; Gordon Styles, Washington, D. C.; Bobby Suma, Washington, D. C.; Al Salas, California; Harry Preston, New York.

Lightweights
World's Champion
International title vacant.

Ratings based on year's performances.

1—Chalky Wright, Durango, Mexico.
2—Allie Stolz, Newark, N. J.
3—Willie Joyce, Gary, Ind.
4—Bob Montgomery, Philadelphia, Pa.
5—Ike Williams, Trenton, N. J.
6—Dave Castilloux, Montreal, Can.
7—Ronnie James, Wales.
8—Enrique Bolanos, Mexico.
9—Freddie Dawson, Chicago, Ill.
10—Wesley Mouzon, Philadelphia, Pa.
11—Bernard Docusen, New Orleans, La.
12—Bobby Ruffin, Astoria, L. I.
13—Juste Fontaine Pittsburgh, Pa.
14—Leroy Willis, Detroit, Mich.
15—Charley Smith, Newark, N. J.
16—Chester Rico, New York City.

Group I

Dom Amoroso, Jersey City, N. J.; Billy Banks, Washington, D. C.; Joey Barnum, Culver City, Cal.; Danny Bartfield, New York; Melvin Bartholomew, New Orleans, La.

Pat Brady, New York; Johnny Bratton, Chicago; Baby Al Brown, Jamaica, B.W.I.; Ray Brown, Chicago; Santa Bucca, Philadelphia; Gene Burton, Philadelphia.

Kid Bururu, Cuba; Calcagno II, Panama; Tony Chavez, San Jose, Cal.; Willie Cheatum, Philadelphia, Pa.; Larry Cisneros, California.

Lulu Costantino, New York; Dave Crowley, England; Rush Dalma, Honolulu, T.H.

Chuey Figueroa, Los Angeles, Cal.; Dave Finn, England; Young Finnegan, Panama; Pat Foley, Worcester, Mass.; Bob Fuller, Australia; Les Fuller Australia; Pat Demers, Brockton, Mass.; Pedro Firpo, Camden, N. J.

Buddy Garcia, Galveston, Texas; Norm Gent, Australia; Kid German, Trinidad, B.W.I.; Patsy Giovanelli, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Al Gomez, Chicago, Ill.; Al Guido, New York; Ernie Guisti, West Warwick, Conn.; Proctor Heinold, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Eddie Hudson, San Francisco, Cal.; Jimmy Joyce, Gary, Ind.; Warren Kendall, Wales; Clarence "Cotton" King, Florida; Julie Kogon, New Haven, Conn.

Snooks Lacey, New Haven, Conn.; Eddie Lander, Chicago, Ill.; Jack Larrimore, Miami Beach, Fla.; Dorsey Lay, Philadelphia, Pa.; Jackie Leamus, New York.

Alby McCarthy, Australia; Tony Mar, Sonora, Mexico; Gus Mell, Montreal, Can.; Jorge Morales, Mexico.

Matt Oglesby, Hollywood, Cal.; Sammy Parrotta, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Tony Pellone, New York; Doll Rafferty, Milwaukee, Wis.

Bob Ramsey, England; Jackie Rankin, England; Ray Salas, Berkeley, Cal.; Cleo Shans, Oranley, Cal.; Maxie Shapiro, New York; Johnny Shields, Australia; Paddy Slavin, Australia; Charley Smith, Newark, N. J.

Tommy Smith, England; Santiago Sosa, Havana, Cuba; Patsy Spataro, New York City; Gene Spencer, Chicago, Ill.; Leon Spencer, Cleveland, O.; Johnny Suarez, Portland, Ore.; Mickey Tollis, Australia; Reg Tozer, Australia; Al Tunney, Trinidad, B.W.I.

Joey Angelo, Philadelphia, Pa.; George Stinging Ant, Trinidad, B.W.I.; Jim Brady, Scotland; Mickey Carr, Australia; Nick Camarata, New Orleans, La.; Pat Demers, Brockton, Mass.; Bill Eddy, Detroit, Mich.; Mickey Francis, Australia; Billy Graham, New York; Jackie Green, Australia; Tommy McIvor, Australia; Joey Peralta, Tamaqua, Pa.; Ellis Phillips, Philadelphia; Chester Rico, New York; Yucatan Kid, Cuba; Humberto Zavala, Mexico; Bobby Yaeger, Los Angeles, Cal.

Group II

Dave Andrews, Lowell, Mass.; Bobby Bates, England; Steve Bellus, London, Ont.; Lou Bernal, Los Angeles, Cal.; Eddie Bertolino, Texas; Jean Barriere, Montreal, Can.

Julie Bort, New York; Arbie Bowie, Pittsburgh; Jackie Bridges, Australia; Dusty Brown, Wilmington, Del.; Willie Calhoun, Los Angeles, Cal.; Joey Calixto, Cuba; Benny Calla, California; Jack Carrick, Australia; Juan Carrero, Puerto Rico.

Pedro Carvaljo, Cambridge, Mass.; Chino Carvajal, California; Little Lenny Ceasar, New Orleans; Joe Celetti, Providence, R. I.; John Chapman, Buffalo, N. Y.; Jimmy Collins, Philadelphia, Pa.; Jackie Connolly, New York; Dick Cook, Camp Atterbury; Johnny Cool, Worcester, Mass.; Raul Zenit Cruz, Mexico City; Vince Dell 'Orto, Boston, Mass.; Floriant Desmarais, Manchester, Mass.; Frankie Donato, Philadelphia, Pa.

Eddie Dowl, Newark, N. J.; Pat Doyle, Fall River, Mass.; Baby Tiger Flowers, Worcester, Mass.; Marcel Fournier, Montreal, Can.; Tommy Foxhall, England; Frankie Franconeri, Bayonne, N. J.; Al Freda, Worcester, Mass.; Buddy Garcia, Galveston, Texas; Lee Garrett, Cleveland, O.; Frank Gaudes, Milwaukee, Wis.; Johnny Gaudes, Milwaukee, Wis.; Archie Gibbons, Hartford, Conn.; Eddie Giosa, Philadelphia, Pa.

Joe Grant, Australia; Sel Hamilton, Australia; Jimmy Sunny Hampton, Buffalo, N. Y.; Georgie Hansford, Los Angeles, Cal.; Jimmy Kid Hatcher, Lake City, S. C.; Ron Heron, Australia; Jimmy Hill, Australia; Paulie Jackson, Reading, Pa.; Billy James, Hawaii; Lee Jones, Philadelphia, Pa.; Al Jordan, Milwaukee, Wis.; Abie Kaufman, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mike Konnors, New York.

Steve Kronis, Boston, Mass.; George Larover, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rocco Lescio, New York; Frank Leta, Irvington, N. J.; Oscar Lewis, Newark, N. J.; Ray Lewis, Muncie, Ind.; Lucky Lou Lima, New York; Abel Licero, Fresno, Cal.

Candy McDaniels, New Orleans, La.; Bob Maloney, Australia; Lew Maxwell, Newark, N. J.; Leo Methot, Montreal, Can.; Ace Miller, Los Angeles, Cal.; Billy Miller, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Tommy Mills, Valley Stream, L. I.; Johnny Molloy, Liverpool, Eng.; Rickey Montiero, Wareham, Mass.; Eddie Murphy, New York.

Terry O'Toole, Australia; Joe Polowitzer, Hartford, Conn.; Johnny Priest, Cambridge, Mass.; Nick Primiani, Montreal, Can.; Rocco Progano, Stamford, Conn.

Filio Prado, Havana; Tony Rios, Sonora, Mex.; Fidel Rivera Mexico; Johnny Rohrig, Clifton, N. J.; Tommy Rotolo, Rome, N. Y.; Frankie Rubino, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Oscar St. Pierre, Fall River, Mass.; Hubert Samuels, Philadelphia, Pa.; Pat Scanlon, Ozone Park, L. I.; Richie Shinn, California; Manuel Sierra, Cuba; Norman Hi Ho Silver, New York; Al Smith, New Jersey; Eddie Smith, Rochester, N. Y.; Nick Stato, Springfield, Mass.; Vinnie Vazzo, Revere, Mass.

Billy Taylor, England; Ted Wainwright, Australia; Ralph Walton, Montreal, Can; Jimmy Woods, Cincinnati, O.; Oscar Wright, Washington, D. C.

Billy Zaduck, Toronto, Can.; Ruby Zidell, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Patsy Zoccano, Toronto, Can.

Group III

Freddie Addeo, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Johnny Ainscouth, Akron, O.

Tommy Anderson, New York; Leon Arnold, Philadelphia, Pa.; Eddie Brent, San Diego, Cal.; Pedro Biesca, Mexico City, Mexico; Billy Brown, Australia; Ernie Cabrel, New Haven, Conn.; Jose Bulldog Camagueyano, Cuba; Rene Cantero, Cuba.

Joey Carkido, New York; Vince Carty, Portland, Me.; Del Cockayne, Des Moines, Iowa; Frankie Curry, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Jerry Darby, Jamaica, L. I.; Paddy De Marco, New York; Al Fern, West Tampa, Fla.; Jesse Flores, San Francisco, Cal.; Joey Gatto, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Vin Geddes, Australia; Eddie Germaine, Philadelphia, Pa.; Joe Gillis, Holyoke, Mass.

Sid Haber, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Johnny Bo Harris, New York; Stan Hawthorne, England; Harry Hitlian, Worcester, Mass.; Harry Hughes, Scotland.

Ray Kay, Australia; Joe Kosky, New Orleans, La.; Joey Kushner, Syracuse, N. Y.; Bobby McQuillan, Chicago, Ill.; Pancho Martinez, San Antonio, Tex.; Mike Martyk, St. Catherine, Ont.; Al Michaud, Lisbon, Me.; Charley Milan, Baltimore, Md.; Pete Mirabello, New Orleans, La.; Billy Murray, Boston, Mass.

Joe Montiero, Wareham, Mass.; Victor Moreno, New York; Joe Muccio, New York; Danny Odea, Australia; Carl Olson, New Haven, Conn.; Danny Petro, Washington, D. C.; Ernie Petrone,

Philadelphia, Pa.; Vic Pignatore, New York; Joey Pirrone, Cleveland; Arthur Price, Detroit; Johnny Price, England; Torito Ramos, Mexico; Jimmy Rizzo, Hamilton, Ont.; Bob Pooler, South Portland, Me.

Eddie Salazar, Hawaii; Jimmy Stumpy Saunders, New York; Roscoe Scally, California; Wilfred Scott, New Orleans, La.; Norman See, Quebec, Can.; Billy Smith, Medford, Mass.; Billy Smith, Minnesota; James Stevens, New York City.

George Tait, New Orleans, La.; Jack Tarzan, Torrington, Conn.; Billy Terry, Washington, D. C.; Willie Thomas, Philadelphia, Pa.; Harry Thompson, Australia; Al Victoria, New York; Johnny Villaneuva, Houston, Tex.; Johnny Ward, England; Jack Watkins, England; Tiger Willis, Columbus, O.; Al Wooster, Frankfort, Maine.

Charley Wooster, Frankfort, Me.; Freddie Yeager, Port Chester, N. Y.

Group IV

Johnny Alford, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Johnny Anderson, McKeesport, Pa.; Talbert Anderson, Philadelphia, Pa.; Tony Argo, Baltimore, Md.; Jetson Arnold, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mario Averillo, Baltimore, Md.; Art Allison, Boston, Mass.; Ray Allison, Boston, Mass.

Freddie Balessano, Hartford, Conn.; Al Baltieri, Brooklyn, N. Y.; George Baltieri, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Glenn Banfield, West Virginia; Eddie Barnes, West Virginia.

Billy Bates, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Lucio Beltram, Tia Juana; Freddie Bernhardt, Akron, O.; Bill Bernier, Lewiston, Me.; Levi Board, Los Angeles, Cal.; Willie Bowen, Hollywood, Cal.

Max Brander, Australia; Henry Kid Briere, Hartford, Conn.; Vernon Brown, Baltimore, Md.; Pat Butler, New York; Dave Butler, Waterbury, Conn.; Kid Butler, Townsend, Md.; Jackie Carroll, Lawrence, Mass.

Jimmy Cagni, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Billy Carlisle, California; Eddie Kid Carson, Chicago, Ill.; Al Cella, New York; Butch Charles, Elizabeth, N. J.; Stanley Cieslik, Detroit, Mich.; Frankie Cisneros, California.

Oliver Cobbins, Cincinnati, O.; Jimmy Cogman, Newark, N. J.; Tommy Colton, Boston, Mass.; Frankie Conn, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Frank Conti, San Diego, Cal.; Pat Corenti, Waterbury, Conn.; Jimmy Cortim, Theron, N. J.

Yvon Cote, Montreal, Can.; Bill Cummings, Newark, N. J.; Dick Czerniak, Milwaukee, Wis.

Tim Dalton, Chicago, Ill.; Bernie Devine, Worcester, Mass.; Earl Dodson, Baltimore, Md.; Francisco Kid Dorzal, El Paso, Tex.; Jimmy Speedy Duval, Baltimore, Md.

Bobby Ellis, Baltimore, Md.; Jimmy Esposito, Elizabeth, N. J.; Joe Fiallo, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Jose Fernandez, Danbury, Conn.; Slapsie Maxie Fernandez, California; Mario Ferro, Detroit, Mich.; Chuck Floyd, Cleveland, O.; Julio Franco, Bakersfield, Cal.; Pat Franco, Bayonne, N. J.; Joe Fratt, Chester, Pa.

Eddie George, Waterville, Me.; Billy Gibson, California; Joe Gibson, California; Sal Giglio, New York; Freddie Gilbo, Lowell, Mass.; Joe Gillis, Holyoke, Mass.; Walter Gomes, New Bedford, Mass.; Don Luis Gonzales, Mexico City; Johnny Goode, Cincinnati, O.; Flash Gordon, San Diego, Cal.; Charley Grant, Annapolis, Md.; Kid Grant, Baltimore, Md.; Young Willie Green, Bangor, Me.; Lucky Griffith, Biddeford, Me.; Joe Griffo, Newark, N. J.; Frankie Gromada, New York; Teddy Guerrero, California; Young Gugga, Australia.

Charles Chuck Hall, Buffalo, N. Y.; Caswell Harris, Baltimore, Md.; Bill Hayman, California; Leo Healy, Australia; Billy Heath, Des Moines, Iowa; Joe Henderson, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Bobby Heney, New York; Sonny Hill, California.

Everett Hodgkins, South Windham, Me.; Henry Hosch, New Orleans, La.; Charles Howard, New York; Billy Hurd, Newark, N. J.; Nathaniel Huskey, California; Jimmy Hughes, Indianapolis, Ind.

Pete Ibarra, Mexico; Jimmy Ingle, Dublin; Johnny Ingle, Dublin; Chuck Jackson, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Roy Jackson, Cincinnati; Tony Jackson, California; Vic Jade, Cleveland, O.; Jesse James, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Norman James, Liverpool, Eng.

Leo Johnson, New York; Reggie Johnson, Baltimore, Md.; Chuck Jones, Roxbury, Mass.; Leon Jones, Canonsburg, Pa.; Stanley Jordan, Milwaukee, Wis.; Ernie Jano, Australia; Jimmy Jury, England.

Morris Kapp, Providence, R. I.; Pat Kelly, Niagara Falls; Johnny King, Australia; Bernie Krashin, Brooklyn, N. Y.; A. C. Lee, Indianapolis, Ind.; Bobby Lee, Chicago, Ill.; Bobby Lee, Baltimore, Md.; Babe Lewin, California; Billy Lewis, Washington, D. C.; Ralph Lloyd, Vancouver, B. C.

Benny Lopez, New Bedford, Mass.; Leonardo Lopez, Mexico; Johnny Lovett, Ft. Lewis; Simon Lucas, Honduras.

Shamus McCrea, Cleveland, O.; Al McKewan, Australia; Blaine Macomber, Guilford, Maine; Maes Donnie, California; Julian Malavez, Puerto Rico.

Willie Marcus, Jersey City, N. J.; Joe Marino, Paterson, N. J.; Jimmy Martin, Chicago, Ill.; Jimmy Mason, Camp Kilmer, N. J.; Jerry Mazza, New York; Billy Miller, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Vinnie Melito, New York; Harold Meredith, Georgia; Billy Mitchell, California; Harvey Mitchell, Huntington, W. Va.; Jimmy Mitchell, Columbus, O.; Sammy Montana, U. S. Navy; Cal Moran, California; Eddie Moran, Boston, Mass.; Charles Morrison, Macon, Ga.; Ralph Moss, England; Joe Mullins, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Tommy Murray, Montreal, Can.

Joey Neil, Albany, N. Y.; Nick Nichols, Miami, Fla.; Ray Nulph, Elwood City, Pa.; Oliver De Witt, Houston, Tex.; Eddie Owens, Detroit, Mich.; Pat Orielly, Cleveland, O.

Frank Palermo, New York; Ray Parker, New York; Ray Parker, California; Johnny Parvia, Worcester, Mass.; Marty Pemba, Boston, Mass.; Frank Perry, Boston, Mass.

Pete Perry, California; George Pitt, Australia; Joey Pedro, Havana; Freddie Polowitzer, Hartford, Conn.

Eddie Prince, Detroit, Mich.; Ray Pugh, New York; Jess Quintana, California; Eddie Raymond, L. I. City, N. Y.; Eddie Reardon, Hartford, Conn.; Bill Richardson, Baltimore, Md.

Cal Robinson, California; Red Roden, California; Ray Rogers, Englewood, N. J.; Hank Roque, West Tampa, Fla.; Chuck Ross, San Francisco, Cal.; Joe Rubin, Buffalo, N. Y.

Joey Sailor Savidan, Los Angeles, Cal.; Jackie Savino, Jamaica, L. I.; Rocky Schiavone, New Jersey; Billy Shelton, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Ellsworth Simley, New York; Otho Slager, Texas.

Pat Smith, Schenectady, N. Y.; Lou Suliveres, New York; Robert Summers, Baltimore, Md.

Kid Tagg, Braddock, Pa.; Lou Tavares, West Warwick, R. I.; Waddy Temple, Washington; Joe Thayer, New Orleans, La.; Sammy Thompson, Baltimore, Md.

Frankie Venezuela, California; Johnny Verdusco, California; Johnny Virgo, Rochester, N. Y.; Mickey Walker, Australia; Frankie Wetzel, Philadelphia, Pa.; Paul White, Cincinnati, O.; Jack Willis, Australia; Leroy Willis, San Francisco, Cal.; Jesse Watson, Philadelphia, Pa.

Featherweights
World's Champion
Willie Pep, Hartford, Conn.

Ratings based on year's performances.

1—Willie Pep, Hartford, Conn.
2—Sal Bartolo, New York City. (N.B.A. Champion)
3—Phil Terranova, New York City.
4—Nel Tarleton, England.
5—Jackie Graves, Minneapolis, Minn.
6—Carlos Chavez, Georgia.
7—Al Phillips, England.
8—Freddie Russo, Rahway, N. J.
9—Miguel Acevedo, Havana, Cuba.
10—Jackie Wilson, Pittsburgh, Pa.
11—Kid Zefine, Panama.
12—Tomas Aquinto Batoa, Dominican Republic.
13—Little Giant, Buffalo, N. Y.

Group I

Sammy Anderson, California.

Ernest Aguilar, Mexico City; Billy Alexander, Australia; Lou Alter, Montreal, Can.; Spider Armstrong, Montreal, Can.; Angel Aviles, Mexico; El Barquerito, Cuba; Joe Bissaker, Australia; Larry Bolvin, Providence, R. I.; Les Brooks, Australia; Oscar Calles, Cuba; Frankie Carto, Philadelphia, Pa.; Tommy Chapman, Australia; Eddie Compo, New Haven, Conn.; Georgie Cooper, New York; Ted Christie, Chicago, Ill.; Ramon Castillo, Havana, Cuba.

Col. Davis, Australia; Ben Duffy, England; Paul Febbo, Philadelphia, Pa.; Baby Gonzales, Los Angeles, Cal.; Jimmy Gill, England.

Allen Hall, Australia; Timothy "Buddy" Hayes, Boston; Bert Jackson, England; Harry Jeffra, Baltimore, Md.; Sid Knight, Australia; Lefty LaChance, Lewiston, Maine; Augie Lapara, New Orleans, La.; Jack Leslie, Flint, Mich.; Kenny Lindsay, Vancouver, B. C.

Jimmy McAllister, Baltimore, Md.; Eric McCreadle, Australia; Tommy McGlinchey, Scotland; Benny May, Montreal, Can.; Eddie Miller, Australia; Chico Morales, Tampa, Fla.; Kayo Morgan, Detroit, Mich.; Leo Mucucci, Berlin, N. H.; Charles Riley St. Louis, Mo.

Pedro Ramirez, Mexico; Paul Reguejo, San Jose, Cal.; Willie Roache, Wilmington, Del.; Joe Robleto, Pasadena, Cal.; Chico Rosa, Hawaii; Diego Sosa, Havana, Cuba; Jimmy Stubbs, Liverpool, England.

Kid Tanner, British Guiana; Archie Wilmer, Wilmington, Del.; Len Young, Australia; Jackie Wilson, Australia; Syd Worgan, England; Danny Webb, Montreal, Canada.

Group II

Ramon Alva, San Antonio, Texas; Chino Alvarez, Tampa, Fla.; Pat Bradley, Detroit, Mich.; Pete Bolos, Detroit, Mich.; Billy Brent, New Orleans, La.; Danny Carabella, New York; Charley Cellars, Boston, Mass.; Bud Christman, San Francisco, Cal.; Mario Colon, Puerto Rico; Ron Conybear, Australia.

Carlos Cuebas, New York; Steve Curley, Toronto, Can.; Benny Daniels, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Hector Delgado, Cuba; Ray Delgado, Cuba; Joey Dolan, Spokane, Wash.; Bobby English, Fall River, Mass.; Jackie Floyd, Philadelphia, Pa.; Kid Gallagher, Australia; Sammy Garcia, U. S. Army; Cannonball Gibson, New York City; Jackie Harris, Malden, Mass.

Leroy Jackson, Cleveland, O.; Tommy Kiene, Savannah, Ga.; Gene LaBlanc, Fall River, Mass.; Diogenes Leon, Puerto Rico; Walter "Cabey" Lewis, New York; Clint Miller, Elizabeth, N. J.; Frankie Moore, Oakland, Cal.; Sixto Morales, Tampa, Fla.

Kudo Ortiz, El Centro, Cal.; Filberto Osario, Puerto Rico; Tony Oshiro, Hawaii; Al Pennino, Brooklyn; Bobby Polowitzer, Hartford, Conn.; Mickey Quack, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Ossie Rodriguez, New York.

Al Sforza, Boston, Mass.; Humberto Sierra, Havana, Cuba; Danny Simmons, Australia; Bobby Smith, Philadelphia, Pa.; Ruben Sonorita, Mexico; Blond Tiger, Lowell, Mass.; Earl Trader, Wilmington, Del.; Joe Sandy Saddler, Jamaica, Long Island.

Chilandrina Valencia, Mexico; Petey Virgin, Schenectady, N. Y.; Ham Wiloby, Jamaica, L. I.; Johnny Wolgast, Philadelphia, Pa.; Yasu Yasutake, Hawaii.

Group III

Jimmy Allen, Philadelphia, Pa.; Joey Abrams, California; Joe Ambrosano, Philadelphia, Pa.; Jeep Anderson, Los Angeles, Cal.; Jose Andreas, Houston, Tex.; Joe Crawford, England; Yirac Arquilimedes, Cuba.

Florian Bibeau, Montreal, Can.; George Brother, Waterbury, Conn.; Darnell Carter, Houston, Tex.; Billy Comerford, England; Tommy Davies, Wales; Archie Devino, New York; Tony Ferry, Fall River, Mass.; Victor Flores, Mexico City; Ken Hatcher, Australia; Pedro Hernandez, New York; Ben Holland, Australia; Cleve Holt, Detroit, Mich.; Lloyd Hudson, Bath, Me.; Red Hutchins, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Pat Iacobucci, Cincinnati, O.; Billy Innes, Glasgow, Scotland; Biff Jones, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Babe Kelly, Philadelphia, Pa.; George Knox, Newark, N. J.; Ralph Lara, California; Brown Kid Lee, Huntington, W. Va.; Jerry Lavigne, Montreal, Can.; Pee Wee Lewis, Baltimore, Md.; Leo Lebron, New York; Chico Llanes, Mexico City; Jackie McGouran, Ireland; Jock McKenzie, Ireland; Irving Magid, New York; Joey Manfro, New York; Leo Milito, New York; Tommy Moore, Boston, Mass.; Cliff Morris, Wales; Young Lee Q. Murray, Baltimore, Md.; Richie Myashiro, New York City.

Jerry Nagle, Ireland; Jimmy Neely, Detroit, Mich.; Tommy Nelson, Detroit, Mich.; Charley Noel, Brooklyn, New York; Manny Ortega, El Paso, Texas.

Ossie Peguese, Youngstown, O.; Bernandino Ramirez, California; Gabriel Rios, New York; Jimmy Rizzo, Hamilton, Ont.

Leo Robbo, Australia; Gene Roberts, Danville, Ill.; Al Rodriguez, California; Battling Rosendo, Los Angeles, Cal.; Jesse Salazar, California; Eddie Sangster, California; Archie Stock, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Manuel Torres, Puerto Rico; Frank Warren, Australia; Bobby Waters, Philadelphia, Pa.; Willie Weasel, Philadelphia, Pa.; Joe Wetherall, Australia; Bert White, Chicago, Ill.; Mickey Williams, Australia; Barry Wood, Worcester, Mass.; Henry Young, San Diego, Cal.; Vic Young, San Francisco, Cal.

Group IV

Frankie Adams, Baltimore, Md.; Fidel Aguilar, California; Willie Alexander, Chester, Pa.; Samuel Andrade, Panama; Harold Arrington, Binghamton, N. Y.; Lloyd Batiste, Cal.; Eddie Berry, Portland, Me.; Jackie Blount, Jacksonville, Fla.; Jackie Allen, Chicago, Ill.

Billy Carroll, Toronto, Can.; Wray Carter, Detroit, Mich.; Charley Celeste, Cambridge, Mass.; Lefty Coleman, Jacksonville, Fla.; George Cueto, Tampa, Fla.

Joe Dell, Meriden, Conn.; Jack DeJardin, Montreal, Can.; Nick Diaz, Cal.; Maxie Docusen, New Orleans, La.; Chuck Edwards, Los Angeles, Cal.

Al Escobar, Mexico City; Tony Ferrar, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mike Finley, Missoula, Montana; Young Tiger Flowers, New Orleans, La.; Young Gagnon, Lewiston, Me.; Raymond Glenn, Indianapolis, Ind.; Gene Gomez, Boston, Mass.; Mike Gravino, Niagara Falls, New York.

Reds Hall, Philadelphia, Pa.; Leslie Harris, Baltimore, Md.; Ruben Heraldia, California; Duane Hoag, Wichita, Kan.; Babe Huerta, California; Benny Jerome, Spokane, Wash.; Lucky Jackson, Philadelphia, Pa.; Ollie Johnson, St. Louis, Mo.

Jack Josephs, Australia; Young Junior, Springfield, Mass.

Chris Kelly, Liverpool, England; Bobby Kinder, W. Va.; Johnny Land, Newark, N. J.; Lewis Langley, New York; Joey Longo, Baltimore, Md.; Tony Longo, Baltimore, Md.; Romero Lopez, California; Al Luna, California; Eddie Lyles, Washington, D. C.

Marcus McCrea, New York; Nick Madden, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Juan Manuel, Akron, O.; Manuel Mamalejo, California; Danny Martino, Providence, R. I.; Bartolo Medina, Cuba; Earl Mintz, Jersey City, N. J.; Howard Monk, Newark, N. J.; Al Moreno, San Diego, Cal.; Lonnie Mosely, Philadelphia, Pa.; Eddie Mullen, Ashley, Pennsylvania.

Jimmy Nelson, Detroit, Mich.; Ernest Nogues, Tampa, Fla.; Art O'Dowd, Mexico; Joey Palms, Cincinnati, O.

Pete Pacheco, California; Harry Parisi, Baltimore, Md.; Frankie Parramore, Chester, Pa.; Ernest Park, Washington, D. C.; Jimmy Pera, California; Johnny Pitts, Chester, Pa.; Tony Pontillo, New York; Bernard Pugh, Liverpool, England; Don Perkins, Boston, Mass.

Reymundo Ramirez, San Antonio, Texas; Billy Reed, Gary, Ind.; Benny Revere, Webster, Mass.; Joe Rodriguez, Philadelphia, Pa.; Chuey Rodriguez, San Antonio, Tex.; Matias Ruiz, San Antonio, Texas; Sal Sanchez, California.

Billy Sparks, Indianapolis, Ind.; Young Soarky, W. Va.; Al Starling, Trenton, N. J.; Freddie Steele, Vancouver, B. C.; Martin E. Tabor, Providence, R. I.; Victor Sagpang, Hawaii; Tito

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LETTERS *from Our* READERS

THOUGH I've read your interesting articles for many years, this is the first time I've written you. First: let me thank you for the many hours of reading pleasure you have given me in the past, and, trust to enjoy for a long time to come. Possessing as I do, quite a library of pugilistic literature, starting from 1812 to date, and having met and talked with many of ringdom's greats, here and abroad, I flatter myself as being rather well versed in pugilistic history

Dan Daniel's story of the Corbett-Jackson bout, in the November issue of THE RING was as usual most interesting, but, rather confusing when he introduces Jem Smith and Frank Slavin (Slavin never was champion of Australia) fighting for the championship of the British Empire. All of my record books, and I have Australian, British, French, and our own, designate the bout between Jem Smith and Slavin at Bruges, Belgium, December 23, 1889, as being for 500 pounds a side, and the Championship of England, London Prize Ring Rules (which of course means bare knuckles). The official result of that contest was *a draw 14 rounds.* Yes; I'll grant you that public opinion awarded the fight to Slavin, but the referee decided on a draw, and even as it is today, the referee's decision is final.

In any case this bout fought under the L.P.R., would not have affected the championship of England under the Queensberry rules, it being in the possession of Charlie Mitchell, who had won both middle and heavy glove titles in open competition in 1882, in a tournament promoted by Bill Madden. Mitchell held that title until he relinquished it in 1894 (according to British records) and so J. J. Corbett certainly annexed that title to the one he won from John L. in '92.

As to the Jackson-Slavin contest at the N.S.C., in London, May 30, 1892, well, I have before me as I write, a copy of the articles signed by both men, also a report of the fight as it appeared in the New York *Clipper* just two weeks after. The articles never once mention any championship being at stake. As a matter of fact, the acknowledged champion of England, Charlie Mitchell, was on hand, and a frequent visitor to the training camp of Slavin, and certainly Charlie was not the man to sit idly by and let someone else usurp his crown. No sir, not Charlie. Mitchell assisted in the training of Frank.

Of course, Peter had won the championship of Australia six years previous when he whipped Tom Lees, but, how about all the up and coming kids back there in Sydney and Melbourne, and there were quite a bunch of handy lads like Mick Dooley, Tom Duggan, Peter Felix, Bill Doherty, Joe Goddard, plenty of 'em, and all anxious to sport a title, no, even Peter's greatest admirers (and I count myself in there) couldn't expect the kids back home to await Peter's return, as a matter of fact, in 1890, after a two years' absence abroad, Joe Goddard held Peter to a draw over eight rounds in Melbourne, and again Jackson traveled abroad.

All this is by way of explanation that, in my humble opinion, Peter held no title when he met Jeffries in 1898. By the way, did you know that Jackson beat Jem Smith in two rounds at the old Pelican Club, London, with gloves, for 800 pounds. This happened just five weeks before Slavin's draw, bare knuckle, of December 23, 1889.

Well, I'd better quit before we both get tangled. I do think though that the Corbett-Mitchell bout of January 25, 1894, at Jacksonville, gave the winner a clear title to the world championship.

Again I want to thank Mr. Daniel for many years' reading pleasure his articles have offered me.

TOM GOUGH,
Los Angeles, California.

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Valles, New York; Danny Ventrano, New York; Joey Wasnick, New Haven, Conn.; Oscar Williams, New York.

Bantamweights
World's Champion
Manuel Ortiz, El Centro, Calif.

Ratings based on year's performances.
1—Manuel Ortiz, El Centro, Calif.
2—Benny Goldberg, Detroit, Mich.
3—Luis Castillo, Mexico.
4—Tony Olivera, San Francisco, Calif.
5—Cliff Anderson, British Guiana.
6—Simon Vergara, Panama.
7—Sammy Reynolds, Wolverhampton, England.
8—Gus Foran, Liverpool.
9—Theo Medina, Paris, France
10—Luis Galvani, Cuba.
11—Ronnie Clayton, Wolverhampton, England.
12—Mickey Colbert, Belfast, Ireland.
13—Jim Brady, Dundee, Scotland.
14—Lorenzo Safora, Cuba.
15—Jackie Jurich, San Jose, Calif.
16—Dennis Timoney, Glasgow.

Group I

Bernie Dunne, Australia; George "Stinging Ant" Fraser, Panama; Eli Golindo, California; Felipe Gomez, Juarez, Mexico; Norman Lewis, Wales.

Billy Hazlegrove, England; Tim Mahoney, Royal Navy, England; Sammy Medina, Panama; Theo Medina, Paris, France; Young Montana, Georgetown, British Guiana; Stan Mott, Australia; Tommy Plowright, Nottingham, England; Jorge Robles, Mexico City; Elwood Romero, California; Gus Rosa, Honolulu, T.H.; Ramon Ruiz, Mexico City; Johnny Summers, Edinburgh, Scotland; David Kui Kong Young, Hawaii.

Group II

Willie Anderson, Detroit, Mich.; Kid Chocolate, II, Panama; Sid Clayton, England; Rolando Delgado, Cuba; Francisco Colon Garcia, Puerto Rico; George Green, Warrington, England; Reg Lawton, Australia; Billy Lima, Cuba; Bobby Parker, Spokane, Wash.

Group III

Pancho Arizmendi, Mexico City; Jimmy Callura, Montreal; Sal Clemente, Philadelphia, Pa.; Billy Commodore, New York; Dick Agan, Bangor, Me.; Vic Eisen, Buffalo, N. Y.; Al Ellis, Detroit, Mich.; Art Gomes, Wareham, Mass.; Jackie Greenberg, Miami, Fla.; Manny Camarilla, Panama.

Congo Guevara, Havana, Cuba; Andy Hayward, Newark, N. J.; Fred Hernandez, California; Eddie Hines, Pittsburgh; Percy Idlett, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Howard Jackson, Kansas City, Kan.; Jimmy Jeannette, Louisville, Ky.; Mickey Jones, Scotland; Tiny Orphan Jules, Trinidad, B.W.I.; Ponce Jurado, California.

Nick Kachardus, Chicago, Ill.; Philip LaBang, Hawaii; Tippy Larson, Cal.; Vince Lauria, Camden, N. J.; Jimmy Lewis, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Don McLean, New York; Ralph McNeil, Newark, N. J.; Victor Martinez, Panama; Robert Molina, Cal.; George Morris, Phila., Pa.

Jimmy Parlin, Chester, Pa.; Frankie Pucci, Toronto, Can.; Joey Puig, New York; Carlos Ramos, Puerto Rico; Frankie Rivera, Kansas City, Kan.; Ceferino Robles, California.

Mexican Billy Taylor, Mexico; Jackie Turner, Spokane, Wash.; Ted Varnador, Chicago, Ill.; Harvey Wicker, Spokane, Wash.; Billy Williams, Australia.

Flyweights
World's Champion
Jackie Paterson, Glasgow

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Ratings based on year's performances.
1—Jackie Paterson, Glasgow, Scotland.
2—Seaman Terry Allen, R.N., England.
3—Joe Curran, Liverpool, England.
4—Rinty Monaghan, Belfast, Ireland.
5—Bunty Doran, Ireland.
6—Dado Marino, Hawaii.
7—Stumpy Butwell, Australia.
8—Tommy Burney, Liverpool, England.
9—Hugh Cameron, Scotland.
10—George Parks, Scotland.
11—Alec Murphy, Glasgow, Scotland.

Flyweights
Group I

Les Byrnell, Vancouver, B. C.; Joe Clemo, Vancouver, B. C.; Mickey Hill, Australia; Large Lazo, Havana, Cuba; Val Valentino, California.

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A.—Nov. 3, 1944, Green won in 10; and Dec. 22, 1944, Green won in 10.

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June 11—Canada Lee, N.Y.C. .....Draw	10
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Nov. 26—Andy DiVodi, N.Y.C. .....Won	10

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Jan. 21—Pal Silvers, N.Y.C. .....Draw	10
Feb. 12—Tony Vaccarelli, Albany, N. Y. Won	10
Feb. 15—Nick Testo, N.Y.C. .....Lost	10
Mar. 30—Pal Silvers, N.Y.C. .....Won	6
Apr. 27—Nick Palmer, N.Y.C. .....Draw	6
June 3—Buck Duane, N.Y.C. .....Won	10
June 26—Sgt. Sammy Baker, N.Y.C. ....Lost	10
Sept. 11—Floyd Hybert, N.Y.C. .....Draw	10
Oct. 14—Tommy Freeman, Pittsburgh, Pa. Lost	10

GUS LESNEVICH *in* FIRST INTERNATIONAL BOUT

World Light-Heavyweight King to Clash Next Month With Bruce Woodcock, British Empire Champion, in Over-the-Weight Match in London

By HARRY MARKSON

WHILE most of the major divisions in boxing managed to continue active during the war, despite reduced ranks, one division was practically non-existent. Between Pearl Harbor and V-J day, the light-heavyweight class just wasn't. Of course, one could say that even before this country went to war there was very little activity in the 175-pound class. But there were enough representatives of the division campaigning at the time to give the light-heavies some distinction in the boxing world.

But from the beginning of 1942 to the present day one could count all the important light-heavyweight contests on the prongs of a pitchfork. Gus Lesnevich, world champion, engaged in two over-weight matches, against heavyweight opposition, early in 1942, and then enlisted in the Coast Guard. With his entry into service went practically everything there was to the light-heavyweight class. Enough heavyweights, middleweights, welterweights, lightweights, featherweights, and even bantamweights remained around to make up many a good attraction at many a club throughout the country, but of light-heavies, there were virtually none.

Lesnevich, whose rating was carpenter's mate, first class, spent 42 months in the Coast Guard, a year of that time in the Pacific. Much of the remainder of the three and a half years found Lesnevich assigned to the task of teaching men how to box. Day after day, month after month, Gus taught thousands upon thousands of boys the rudiments of boxing science. He admits today he did not see a future champion in a camp full of these youngsters, but the idea was to help train fighting men and not develop fighters.

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ALL the work Lesnevich did in helping to train Coast Guardsmen also served to keep him in excellent physical condition, and though he engaged in no actual competition, he never lost the feel of the ring. From the day he enlisted, Lesnevich did not take part in a single boxing contest. The nearest he came to an actual boxing bout was a three-round exhibition in Wilmington, Del., on October 22, 1943. Gus's last real ring appearance was against Jimmy Bivins in Cleveland on March 11, 1942, close to four years ago.

Early in October, Lesnevich received his discharge. His weight at the time was about 185 pounds and his immediate plans called for a few matches over the light-heavyweight limit of 175 pounds before getting down to the job of defending his title. In keeping with those plans, Lesnevich accepted a bout for January 11 at Portland, Ore., against Joe Kahut, for which he received a $10,000 guarantee. During the third week in February, he will meet Bruce Woodcock, British Empire heavyweight champion, in a non-title bout in London. The guarantee in this bout is $30,000.

While in Europe, Lesnevich expects to do quite a bit of traveling, with other bouts planned for Paris and Ireland. All these matches would, of course, be non-title. Sometime in the early summer, Gus plans to put his crown at stake in a major promotion to be staged by Mike Jacobs. He hopes it will be a big international match, first such event to be staged since the end of the war. Details of all these contests were handled by Lew Diamond, the "Honest Brakeman," Lesnevich's co-manager along with Joe Vella, who has been in the Army the past few years, but who is expecting his discharge any day. Diamond died of a heart attack on December 13 at Hot Springs, Ark.

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NOW ready to resume his ring career where he left off when he donned a uniform, Lesnevich must often think back to the days when he worked in a sugar refinery and later in a cooper shop, hammering iron hoops on barrel staves. He has come a long ways since the time he worked in an ice plant, stacking and loading cakes of ice, or since the time he worked as a triple-threat man in a restaurant run by his mother—Gus was chef, waiter, and bouncer.

He has been the world light-heavyweight champion since May 22, 1941, according to the N.B.A., and since August 26, 1941, according to the New York Boxing Commission. On the former date he defeated Anton Christoforidis at Madison Square Garden. On the latter, he won from Tami Mauriello, also at the Garden.

Gus Lesnevich, world light-heavyweight king.

Lesnevich, of Russian descent and referred to by his managers as "The Russian Lion," was born at Cliffside Park, N. J., February 22, 1915. He attended grade school at Cliffside and for a while attended Cliffside Park High School. He became interested in boxing through his friendship with Vella. An avid boxing follower, Vella always used to talk about his ring favorites.

One day Gus decided that he, too, wanted to adopt boxing as a career. There was an empty room in back of Mrs. Lesnevich's restaurant and Vella fixed it up as a gymnasium. There Gus Lesnevich donned the boxing gloves for the first time, gloves which Gus's brother, Walter, had acquired by saving up several thousand soap coupons. Gus had his first amateur bout when he was 17 years old and weighed 153 pounds. He did all right among the amateurs, but had to curtail ring activities when he fell off a trapeze in a high school gymnasium and fractured a wrist.

Some months later Lesnevich returned to the ring and entered a Gol-

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LAVIGNE-WALCOTT

45 MINUTES OF MAYHEM

Battle at Maspeth, New York, in 1895, Stands Out as One of Fiercest in Ring History—Saginaw Kid Was the Winner

By DANIEL M. DANIEL

WALK into an assemblage of veteran boxing followers, ask them, "Which fight in your experience was the greatest?" and three out of four will reply, "The Lavigne-Walcott battle at Maspeth."

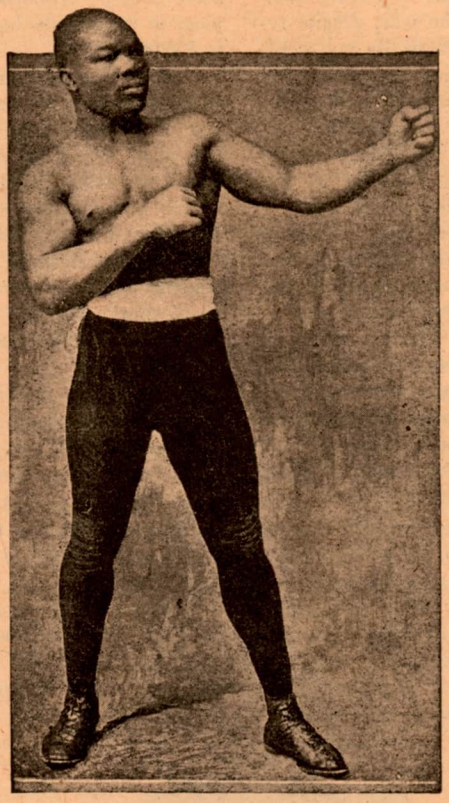
Ask a group of real old-timers which contest packed the greatest number of thrills into 45 minutes of action and it's dollars to doughnuts they will reply, "That scrap in which Lavigne got the decision over Walcott back in 1895."

There were a lot of odd facets to this fight, which took place on December 2, 1895, at Maspeth, L. I., now incorporated into the city of New York. Lavigne is gone, but Walcott still is around to tell about it.

In those days Maspeth was dairy farm country, and in the rural quiet of this section one Jimmy Kennedy ran a boxing institution known as the Empire A. C.

Kennedy was one of those down-to-earth individuals. He would not promote anything that did not promise action and thrills. The fans who gathered in his club just fifty years ago were not disappointed.

In fact, it was one of the toughest battles in the history of pugilism in this or any other country.



Joe Walcott, the Barbados Demon.

Look into Nat Fleischer's All-Time RING Record Book, turn to the Walcott and Lavigne records, and you will find that the white boxer beat Joe by decision in 15 rounds.

Yet, the late Tom O'Rourke always has insisted that Walcott gave Lavigne a beating. Perhaps Tom's opinion stemmed from the fact that he was in Walcott's corner.

O'Rourke was assisted by George Dixon and Joe Gordon. Sam Fitzpatrick, who managed Lavigne, was aided by Tommy Ryan and Ted Alexander.

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"WALCOTT won the fight in so far as action and points were concerned, but Lavigne was entitled to the decision," is the odd statement old Tom made before he died.

"You see, it was a type of match you no longer see, and good riddance. Walcott guaranteed to stop Lavigne within 15 rounds. He could not do it. Therefore, there was nothing the referee, Tim Hurst, could do but give the verdict to the Saginaw Kid.

"The record book is correct. But when you hear some of the old boys tell you that they saw the white fighter whip the Barbados Demon, they are merely romancing, or letting their memories tell them the wrong yarn.

"Mind, I am not taking anything away from Lavigne. He was a wonderful fighter. The McGovern type. Slashing, boring in, never stalling, a natural battler. Lavigne was French-American, and had been a lumberjack in the Michigan woods. He brought into the ring an amazing physique, a terrific ability to take it—yes, and dish it out, too."

When Lavigne met Walcott, they were true lightweights. The articles stipulated that they would have to make 133 pounds. Lavigne tipped the beam at 130½. Walcott, too, was under the required 133. This was amazing.

Why the handicap match when Lavigne was the standout lightweight of America? Well, it's one of those things that right now is hard to figure out.

Usually a handicap was a fight in which one of the contestants had a big bulge in the weights, and therefore had to win inside an agreed limit. Here was a handicap in which there was no discrepancy in poundage.

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THE reason was this: Walcott rarely fought men of his class. In order to get matches, the physical freak from Barbados had to take on battlers much bigger and heavier than he.

As a consequence, Walcott permitted himself to stay around 140 pounds. In 1901, Joe finally went after the welterweight championship and knocked out Rube Ferns, at Fort Erie, in five heats. Ferns had taken the title away from Matty Matthews the previous May.

In forcing Walcott to make 133 pounds for Lavigne, Fitzpatrick figured he would bring the Negro into the ring weak from weight reduction.

But the wily O'Rourke did not mind the weight stipulation. He was one man who knew that Walcott could make 133 without getting weak, and that at 133, Joe would be in his best shape, in his finest condition for the 15-round distance.

The night before the fight, O'Rourke, Lavigne, Fitzpatrick, Walcott and a lot of "sports" gathered in the old Occidental Hotel on the Bowery at Broome Street in New York, and Sam and Tom began to rag each other about the weights of their proteges.

"Sam, I will wager fifty that Joe is lighter than the Kid," O'Rourke said.

The bet was made and the party adjourned across the street where there was a set of scales.

Much to the astonishment of the Lavigne connection, Walcott weighed 129¾ pounds, and Lavigne 130½.

The "sports" dashed over town, up Broadway, through the old Tenderloin, whispering the news, "Walcott has weakened himself terribly. He looks sick. He weighed only 129¾ tonight.

"Joe hasn't a chance in the world to stop the Kid inside 15. In fact, bet Lavigne will knock him out. Walcott has weakened himself too much to be at his best."

THERE were two meetings of Lavigne and Walcott and the record book gives both to the Saginaw Kid. The second was fought at San Francisco on October 29, 1897. The white man was the winner in 12 rounds and gave Joe a terrific shellacking. Walcott quit.

When they met that second time, Lavigne was the lightweight champion of the world—the first really entitled to that distinction. He had gone to London, and on June 1, 1896, had knocked out the British lightweight king, Dick Burge, in seventeen rounds.

When the Kid and Joe met for the first time, Lavigne was 27 years of age and Walcott 24. The Michigander had started his ring career in 1885 and thus had been battling for a decade when he tackled the man nobody wanted to fight unless he needed meal money. Walcott had entered the ring in 1890.

O'Rourke believes that if Walcott had not suffered an attack of stomach cramps in the late rounds, he would have stopped the Kid. However, that's just Tom's opinion. Lavigne gave Joe plenty of plain hell that night.

Yes, the Kid did take a terrific lot of punishment. But so did Joe. When the last round got under way, Lavigne looked much the worse for wear as his left ear was hanging by a shred. They don't fight like that today, do they?

Despite his gory condition, Lavigne landed the last solid blow of the fight. Just before the final bell he belted Joe with a right that would have felled any other man under 145 pounds in the ring that year, or any other year.

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THEY say that in his prime Walcott could hit harder than any light-heavyweight. Few heavies of today can deliver a punch with the telling effect of Joe's wallops. He stood only 5 feet 1½ inches in height, broad of torso, a freak if ever there was one in the ring.

Lavigne was no giant himself. His height was only 5 feet 3½ inches.

Lavigne usually rushed right from the opening bell. That night in Maspeth, he was convinced that Walcott had debilitated himself making the weight and that the proper thing to do was to force the fight from the start and pour it into the Demon.

As the gong sounded, Lavigne dashed at Walcott and let him have everything in the Kid's repertoire. But Walcott was wise. He knew what was in Lavigne's mind, he had anticipated that mode of attack, and he was set with the response.

Lavigne rushed and Walcott met him with crushing punches.

That was how they fought through the first few rounds. Give and take, no backing away, right and left, a mêlée that had the crowd daffy. No advantage on either side. Just murderous mauling from bell to bell, and the onlookers said, "They can't keep this up!"

The boxers had been warned not to hit on the break. They obeyed the rules. But the Demon was as quick as a tiger. He was so fast coming back after the break that many of the ringsiders, siding with the Kid, shouted to Hurst to enforce the regulations. But stout-hearted Tim paid no attention to the yammer boys. This was a fight!

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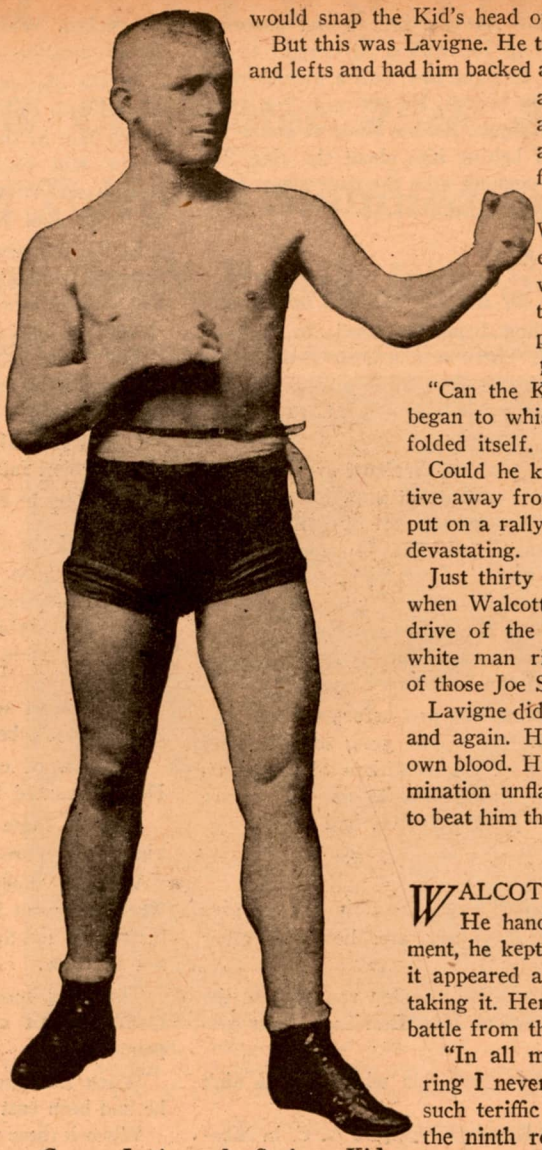
THINGS got real hot in the third round. Lavigne shot a left to the body that would have disposed of any other lightweight. But Joe grinned and drove a right to the heart. That hurt! But Lavigne came back with a rally that had Walcott on the defensive at the bell.

The fourth found the Kid pretty much on the receiving end. Walcott uppercut with left and right and it appeared as if he would snap the Kid's head off his shoulders.

But this was Lavigne. He tore after the Negro with rights and lefts and had him backed against the ropes. Then Joe shot a right to the jaw, then right and left to the body, to the heart again and again. This wasn't a fight. It was mayhem.



George Lavigne, the Saginaw Kid.

The fifth round saw no letup. Walcott closed the Kid's left eye with a right-hander. Lavigne rallied but Walcott counter-rallied. The sixth was pretty much after the same pattern.

"Can the Kid keep this up?" his backers began to whisper as the seventh round unfolded itself.

Could he keep it up! He took the initiative away from Walcott in that seventh and put on a rally that was as amazing as it was devastating.

Just thirty seconds were left of the round when Walcott got in his one and only hard drive of the three minutes. He belted the white man right over the heart with one of those Joe Specials—that right of his.

Lavigne did not go down. He surged again, and again. His body was crimson with his own blood. His spirit was flaming, his determination unflagging. Walcott was not going to beat him that night—or any other night!

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WALCOTT was at his best in the ninth. He handed out such a terrific punishment, he kept tearing in so relentlessly, that it appeared a miracle Lavigne could go on taking it. Here's what O'Rourke saw of the battle from the ninth round on:—

"In all my years of experience in the ring I never saw a fighter stand up under such teriffic punishment as Lavigne did in the ninth round. The Saginaw Kid came plunging in with rapid fire lefts and rights. One of Lavigne's right-handers sent Joe spinning half way across the ring. It awoke the Negro to a fighting fury that was berserk. With his huge arms driving like piston rods Walcott crashed blow and blow in on Lavigne. One of Joe's rights split Walcott's left ear right in half. Yet at the end Lavigne was smiling through his bloody lips and still trying to walk into the fusillade of bone cracking punches.

"Walcott kept to work on Lavigne's sore ear in the tenth. Joe landed right after right to the side of the head till he crushed the ear to pulp. The Kid kept tearing in and driving lefts and rights to heart and wind. Lavigne laced one lusty left to the body that came near bringing home the bacon. His mauler went wrist deep in Walcott's mid-section and Joe grunted with pain. Each fighter had absorbed enough punishment at this stage of the battle to annihilate an army of ordinary lightweights.

"The eleventh saw Walcott batter Lavigne from rope to rope and pillar to post. Lavigne was spouting blood like a wounded boar. It seemed no human being could withstand such punishment. Walcott continued to punish Lavigne in the twelfth, but the Kid suddenly cut loose on a lion-hearted rally. He missed with one right and went to the floor but was up in a jiffy and tearing in on Walcott like a wolf. Lavigne figuratively went fighting crazy. The fury of his onslaught drove Walcott to the ropes, while the crowd roared like insane men. I never saw anything like that wild rally of Lavigne's and the wild frenzy of the spectators.

"Lavigne continued on the aggressive in the thirteenth, but Walcott landed the cleanest and most damaging blows. Joe forced

the fighting in the fourteenth but Lavigne braced and uncorked another fierce rally. He slowed up Joe with a hard right to the heart. Walcott attempted to lay Lavigne low with a vicious right swing, but missed and went to the boards. He got up to run afoul of a terrific onslaught from Lavigne. Before Walcott could get going the Saginaw Kid started belting him about the ring. He fought so fast and fiercely Joe couldn't take the pace away from him and the Negro was battered hard.

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"WHEN Lavigne came up for the fifteenth and final round his left ear was dangling from his cheek by a mere shred. His left eye was closed. There was a deep gash on his right cheek and there was a crimson flow from both mouth and nostrils. Walcott was bleeding from the nose and was raw across the ribs from Lavigne's body battering.

"Lavigne swung a left to the head and Walcott drove a right to the heart. Joe cut loose in a desperate attempt to knock out Lavigne and save our money. Walcott was all over the Michigander with smashing lefts and rights, but Joe couldn't find the right spot. It looked as if there was no 'right spot' on Lavigne. During the fifteen rounds Walcott had gone over every inch of Lavigne's anatomy above the belt line like a riveting machine, but still the Saginaw Kid stayed on his feet and smilingly faced the vicious attack of the Barbados Demon.

"The last round was all Walcott, but just before the bell Lavigne managed to land one solid right. The gong sounded with Lavigne still on his feet, and under the conditions of the match there was nothing for Referee Tim Hurst to do but declare Lavigne the winner, though on points Walcott had won."

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THAT is the O'Rourke version, which certainly did not give Lavigne any the best of it. There are, however, other versions.

Walcott had given everything he had for ten rounds, and the weight reduction had started to tell on him. Besides, he was getting discouraged.

He said to O'Rourke, "I can't hurt this white boy. I ain't going to go on fightin'."

You didn't do those things at Kennedy's Empire A. C. in Maspeth. You contracted to fight, and you fought until you won or got licked. Walcott was persuaded that to quit would be bad for his health.

In the eleventh, Lavigne went to the fore. He smacked the Negro with rights and lefts. He smacked him in the body and he belted him in the head and Walcott began to look bad.

The Kid continued to deal out terrific punishment in the twelfth and thirteenth. Now the crowd had gone crazy. It looked as if the Kid would win by a knockout.

In the fourteenth round Joe tried to regain the offensive, but Lavigne wouldn't let him. Joe missed a wild swing and fell. The Kid rushed him to the ropes and hammered him until Joe was staggering like a drunk. The bell came to his rescue.

The fifteenth saw Lavigne cast whatever was left of his caution to the winds and batter the Barbados man all over the ring.

O'Rourke said, "The fifteenth was all Walcott." The blow by blow account fails to back him up. Lavigne walloped his opponent from pillar to post.

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WHEN the final gong sounded that night in Maspeth, Walcott knew he had encountered his master.

When they met the second time, in San Francisco, the memory of that first fight was too great a mental hazard for Joe. He got a bad beating in most of the rounds and eventually threw up the sponge.

As Walcott went to his corner after the eleventh, he asked that the fight be declared a draw.

Lavigne, of course, ridiculed the idea and said that if the Demon wanted to quit, why that was his business.

Walcott came out for the twelfth and tried to hold on. Lavigne tore himself loose and punished Joe unmercifully.

Walcott limped to his corner and said something to O'Rourke. Then Joe went back to the slaughter. Once again he shuffled to his corner and then O'Rourke told Referee Graney that Joe could not continue.

This was most unusual for Walcott. But quit he did that October night in San Francisco. They had weighed in at 135 pounds.

When Lavigne retired from the ring, the mould from which he had been cast was lost.

When it came to hitting power, when it came to fierceness of attack, unrelenting aggressiveness, Lavigne had a copyright.

Gus Lesnevich *in* First International Bout

den Gloves tournament, competing in the sub-novice class. He won the championship and continued as a simon-pure for another year, winning a Golden Gloves Inter-City tournament. In all, he had 35 amateur bouts and won 33. Both his amateur defeats came at the hands of an outstanding amateur of some years back named Mark Hough. But Lesnevich had the satisfaction of beating Hough three times himself, twice as an amateur and once after both had become professionals.

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LESNEVICH made his debut as a pro at the Ridgewood Grove Club in Brooklyn, stopping Justin Hoffman in the second round of a scheduled six-rounder. He never competed in a four-rounder as a pro. After two years of campaigning in metropolitan rings he left for Florida, re-

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turned to New York, then left for California, where he enjoyed marked success.

His career took him to various other parts of the country and then Lesnevich sailed for Australia. There he dropped a decision to Ron Richards in his first start, but after that he really cleaned up in Australia, defeating Ambrose Palmer, Fred Henneberry, Alabama Kid, and also Bob Olin, who was in Australia at the time. Returning to the United States, Lesnevich hit the headlines by knocking out Dave Clark in one round at Nutley, N. J.

It was while Lesnevich was in Australia that a tournament was conducted back in the States to determine a successor to John Henry Lewis, who had relinquished the light-heavyweight title. Melio Bettina was the ultimate winner of that tournament and Billy Conn thereupon won the title from Bettina.

As a result of his victory over Clark, who was an outstanding light-heavyweight, Lesnevich was immediately projected into the title picture and was matched to box Conn at Madison Square Garden. Gus acquitted himself well but lost the decision. His performance was so commendable, however, that he faced Conn in a rematch. This time, too, Conn still packed a little too much speed for Gus and thwarted the Jerseyite's effort to win the crowd. But Lesnevich's quest for the title was not to be denied.

After Conn had given up the title to go after Joe Louis's heavyweight championship, Lesnevich defeated Anton Christoforidis at Cleveland to win National Boxing Association recognition as titleholder. A few months later he gained universal recognition by outpointing Tami Mauriello at the Garden in a match which the New York State Commission sanctioned as a title event.

Lesnevich made one defense of the crown, against Mauriello, and won. That was his last fight at 175 pounds. He made two starts against heavyweight competition and then, early in 1942, enlisted in the Coast Guard. Now Lesnevich is back in action and ready to prove he is as good a champion today as the day he enlisted.

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Nat FLEISCHER says:

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The publication did not attain dizzy heights of popularity at a single bound. There was a rough trail to traverse because of a steadfastly maintained policy of relying altogether on self-support, unbiased, candid criticism of current events in the world of fistiana, and uncompromising resistance to attempts made by persons "with an axe to grind" to influence its editorial columns.

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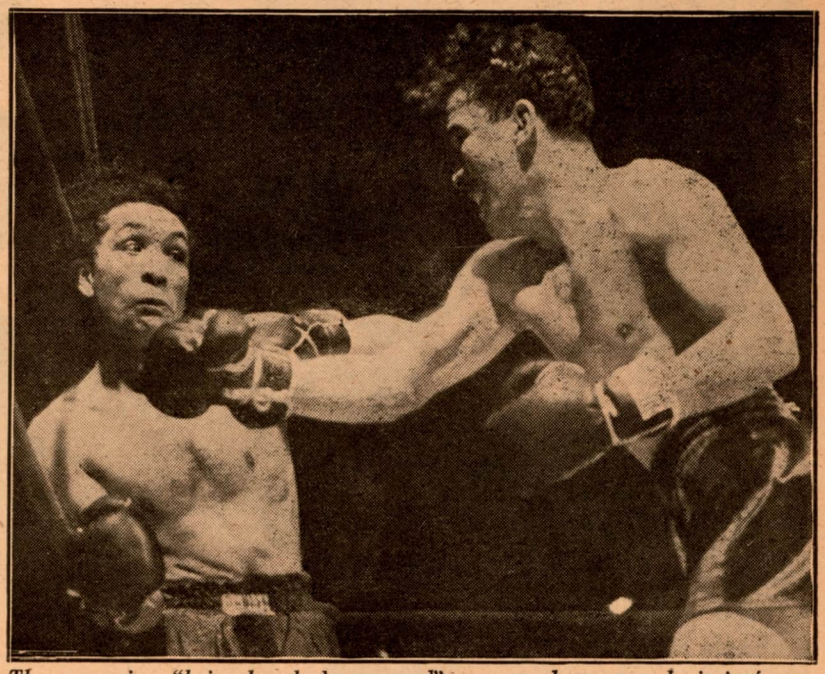

The expression, "being knocked cross-eyed" seems to have some basis in fact as Tippy Larkin of Garfield, New Jersey, lands an all out right hand smash to the jaw of Nick Moran. Larkin won but had a very close shave.

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THE RING saw many promoters come and go, saw the development of boxing from the days of comparatively small purses and slim attendance at fights to the huge financial rewards now bestowed upon crack boxers and the coming of million dollar gates. In prosperity, as in the times of travail, hardship and uncertain future, it still adheres to the principle best expressed by the adage ——"Hew to the line, let the chips fall where they will!"

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Twenty-four years of service to boxing under the same guiding hands of its Editor, is a record of which we are exceedingly proud.

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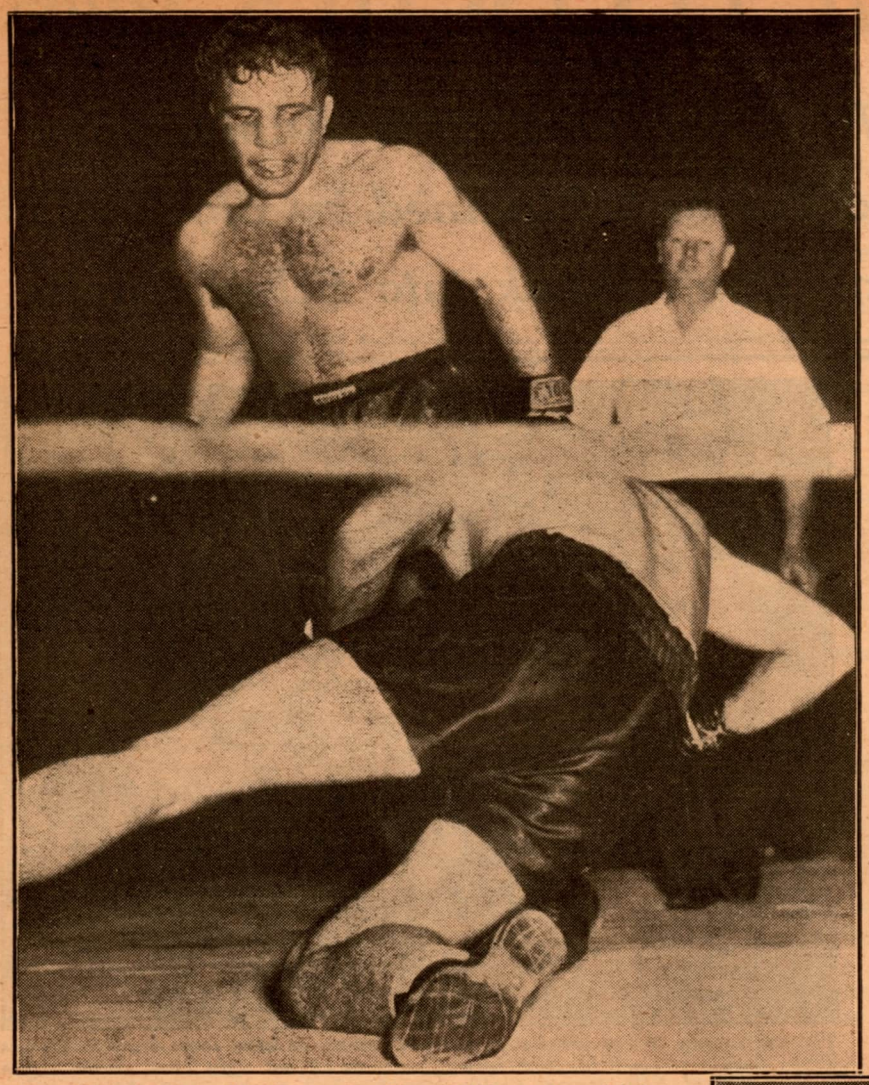
MATCHMAKING is an art. Not every person holding down the post is worthy of the title "matchmaker." In boxing, the matchmaker is the most important executive of an organization, for upon him depends the rise or the fall of a club. Therefore, it behooves the owner of a boxing club to see to it that the man at the helm is capable of pairing talent so that pleasing, exciting bouts will be on tap for the spectators and that he's not partial to the use of boys from a particular stable.

In the past the matchmakers took great pride in their work. They would brag about their successes and would bemoan their fate when efforts resulted in failure. Not so, however, today. This is the era of high finance, and so commercialized has the sport



Jake LaMotta, New York's outstanding middleweight, added a great victory to his long list when he stopped Walter Popeye Woods in eight rounds before 12,271 fans in the Garden card. Here we see Walter about to fall under the ropes.

become, that promoters and their matchmakers seem to think little of foisting so-called star bouts upon the public that in ordinary times would be regarded as good semi-final bouts for the smaller clubs of a big city. The prices are much beyond those charged for big time name bouts in pre-war days. How long the fans will be willing to be taken in for suckers, remains to be seen, but the signs of revolt are in the air and once the public takes the bull by the horns and sets its foot down with firmness, I say to promoters, beware!

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OUT in Cleveland, recently, on two occasions Larry Atkins, president of the newly formed promoters' organization, staged shows with talent that wouldn't fit in at the Ridgewood Grove Club of New York, yet these shows were broadcast nationally by Adam Hats. How long do the executives of Adam Hats think the public will listen to their broadcasts if Larry continues to pit mediocre talent against highly rated fighters.

In his most recent show Larry headlined Tami Mauriello against Jerry Berthiaume, self-styled Canadian light-heavyweight king, an ordinary scrapper with an exceptionally poor record, and Jimmy Doyle, another topnotcher like Tami, against Lew Jenkins, just back from a long retirement. Neither Berthiaume nor Jenkins, both managed by the same man, should have been even considered for a minor role on that Christmas Fund card, yet they shared top billing. Berthiaume, previously knocked out in 25 seconds and the loser of other bouts, was put out in the second round and Jenkins, who should remain retired, was kayoed in the fourth—results any ordinary fight fan could have predicted.

There are many more worthy fighters than Berthiaume and Jenkins who should have been given the chance to perform on that charity card.

The public can be fooled just once too often, Mr. Atkins, and Adam Hats will soon find out that it is wasting its money if a few more contests are arranged. When Larry organized his new association and discussed its program on the radio at a time when I was a guest speaker on his behalf, he told the public of the high aims of his organization and the high calibre of fights it would sponsor, but to date, while Herman Taylor's cards have lived up to expectations in his fine offerings in Philadelphia, Goldie Ahearn's in Washington, Lon Fisher's in Baltimore, and none of the Cleveland shows merited a national broadcast.

Let's be true to our trust, gentlemen. As veteran matchmakers and promoters, you know what calibre contests your public should get.

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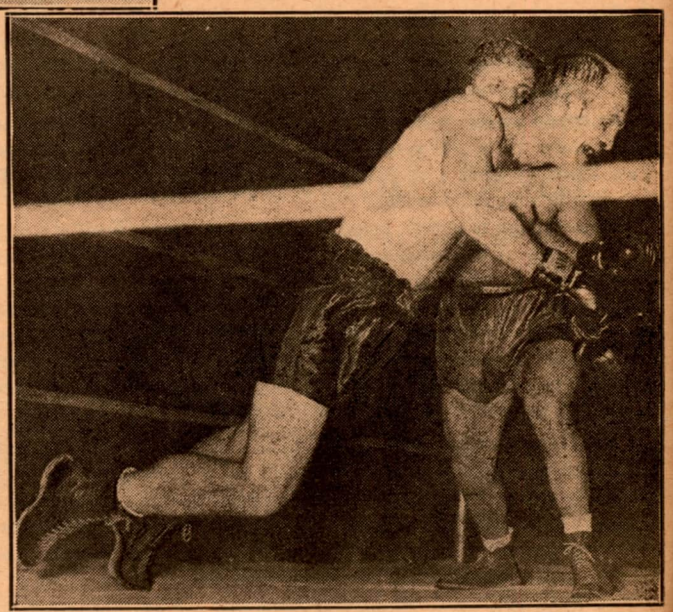
THAT the British can't take a licking in international sports, is evident by the wail of its sports scribes over recent happenings, especially in boxing. For many years Britain has held the upper hand in that branch of sports overseas, but now it seems that rejuvenated France is stepping on the toes of the English with triumphs that have shocked "the nation."

C. H. Harvey, Sports Editor of the *Trans-Atlantic Daily Mail,* for example, has this to say of Jackie Paterson's defeat at the hands of Theo Medina in an over-the-weight bantam bout in Paris. Jackie, it will be recalled, is the British Empire bantam and flyweight king, and Medina, a veteran like Jackie, is the French bantam champ. He has been fighting



In this photograph, the camera caught the action as Woods hit the canvas following a barrage by Jake LaMotta. Walter was counted out. It was his first setback in eighteen months following his comeback.

for upwards of eight years, yet trounced Paterson as he has seldom been whipped before.

"Shock follows shock for Britain's sport fans. First come a Russian team to show that native soccer has slid from the heights; then the lone national boxing star, Jackie Paterson, goes to Paris

to be soundly beaten by a Frenchman of whom, to be quite candid, few people in Britain had ever heard.

"He is Theo Medina, flyweight and bantam champion of France, who beat Jackie Paterson over a rather scrambling ten rounds.

"Medina, a stocky little fellow with a useful right-hand punch, had Jackie down for four counts and so bustled him that he could not make use of his own punches.

"Paterson has never been a consistent performer; often there has been suspicion that he has not prepared too thoroughly.

"But he was at his best recently in disposing of Sammy Reynolds, one of his most formidable British rivals. He should still have been in first-class shape when he met Medina.

"Medina will have to be pitted against Paterson in Britain. It is not Paterson's defeat alone that puts the British boxing outlook under a cloud.

"Four other boxers, all useful on their records in the British ring, have visited Paris since peace came and have been beaten.

"In pre-war days Britain reckoned on winning more fights in France than she lost."

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IT TOOK Billy Conn a long time to tell the public that he had received a short count in his battle with Joe Louis and therefore was unjustly deprived of a victory and the world's championship. In a recent interview in Boston with Dave Egan of the *Record,* Billy declared that he was the victim of too much haste on the part of Referee Eddie Joseph and had the official not counted him out, he would have won the title.

"I was short-changed," said Billy. "I was the victim of a short count by Referee Joseph."

Asked why he kept quiet so long, Billy replied:

"Because I had $100,000 in my kick. Because when I walked down the steps of the ring, and I walked down them a hell of a lot steadier than Louis did, Mike Jacobs threw his arms around me and told me that I'd fight Louis again.

"And because if I took a soapbox and stood on every street corner in America and hollered myself hoarse, I couldn't have changed the decision."

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LT. COL. EAGAN missed a grand chance to take his place with William Muldoon, Jim Farley and Bill Brown as an outstanding boxing executive by falling into the trap laid for him by those who planned the Freddie Cochrane-Marty Servo welterweight championship match to the exclusion of Sugar Ray Robinson, the rightful opponent of the champion for such a contest. Ray has been shunted aside for three years now. He has proved himself not only the best welterweight in the world, but by twice taking the measure of the world's outstanding middleweight, Jake LaMotta, Ray also leads the roost in that division.

The fact that Robinson has been guaranteed a shot at the title next May by the winner of the coming bout, does not alter the situation any. It is the duty of the commission at all times to see that outstanding talent is not sidetracked or given the run-around in the planning of championship fights in favor of inferior fighters. That, it seems to me, is one of the functions of a boxing commission.

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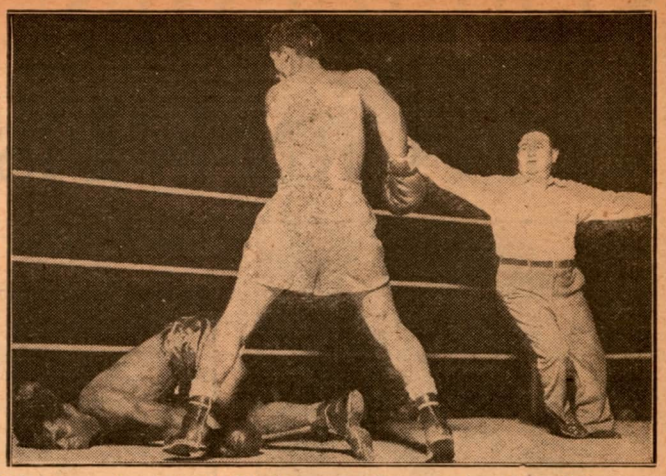
WORD has come out of California that the wrestlers who perform in that state have organized a union and will become affiliated with the American Federation of Labor. The pachyderms of San Francisco, Sacramento, San Diego, Los Angeles, and a few other cities have applied for a charter and once that is obtained, they will strike for higher wages and better protection against the "booking cliques" that now control the sport. Some of the wrestlers say they get as little as ten dollars a night for their bone-breaking exhibitions while the promoters and booking agents pocket the big dough.

According to a high official of the New York Boxers' Guild, whose membership is composed of every fight manager in the big city, his organization shall await with eagerness the action of the Federation *in re* the request of the California wrestlers. "If they are granted a charter, then we will ask for one in New York and once that is granted us, there'll be some hot doings in boxing."



Right on the kisser! That's were Valente Angel landed when Willie Costa hit him with a terrific right in the second round of their lightweight battle at the Civic Auditorium in San Francisco. The referee is Joe Gorman. This is a remarkable fight action shot.

"Strikes in boxing? Why not," was his reply to our query about the possibility of such action being taken against fight clubs.

"I predict that it won't be long before every big city will have its fight managers' guild and that the C.I.O. or the American Federation of Labor will get busy on organization work," concluded the New York Guild executive.

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IT SEEMS that all of the big shots in boxing are getting on the band wagon early in their predictions of the outcome of the Louis-Conn battle next June at the Yankee Stadium. Jack Dempsey likes the Brown Bomber as a puncher, but thinks that Joe has grown too old, has been inactive too long, and that his legs won't stand the strain of a fast 15-round battle. He therefore picks Conn to outpoint the champ and to win the title via the decision route.

Jack apparently is thinking of the time when he had Gene Tunney on the canvas yet couldn't win the bout. On that occasion Jack's legs couldn't carry him around the ring fast enough to catch up with the retreating Gene, who finally got his bearings and carried on to retain his title.

Jimmy Braddock and Max Baer likewise pick Conn. Baer thinks that Billy's speed and youth will turn the trick provided Conn can take off ten pounds so that his speed won't be impaired by extra weight.

Braddock, upon his return from the South Pacific, declared:

"Conn will win the championship. He is a younger fellow and should be able to get into good physical condition far more easily than will Louis. It is tougher for the older man. I should know. I experienced the same conditions in my bout with Louis that Joe will encounter in training for Conn.

"With his natural speed, Conn should be able to outbox Joe and win in 15 rounds. The bout will probably go the limit unless Billy gets his "Irish" up as he did in the last fight and becomes too cocky and tosses away his chances by mixing it with Joe. In that case he'll be knocked cold. He must not make that mistake as he did against the Brown Bomber the last time they met. I like Billy. He will surely win!"

So there you are, you betting gentry. Take or leave it. As for me, I'll tell you later on whose side I'll be. I want to see the boys after they have trained for at least a month.

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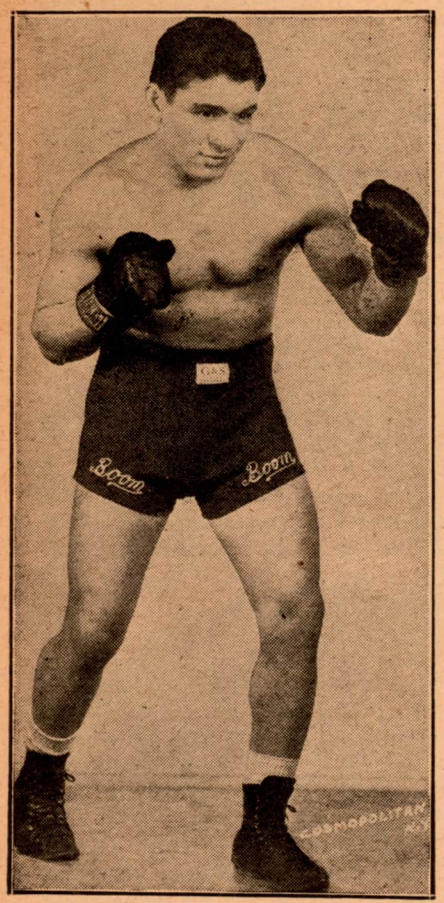
THE Grim Reaper counted out Al ("Bummy") Davis, the rough and tough welterweight, who, despite all of his shortcomings, died a hero's death. With his passing, boxing lost one of the most colorful figures the sport has given us in recent years. In his ring career, Bummy did many *(Continued on page 41)*

SERVICEMEN *are* HAILED *in* RETURN *to* FISTIC WARFARE

By EDDIE MERRILL



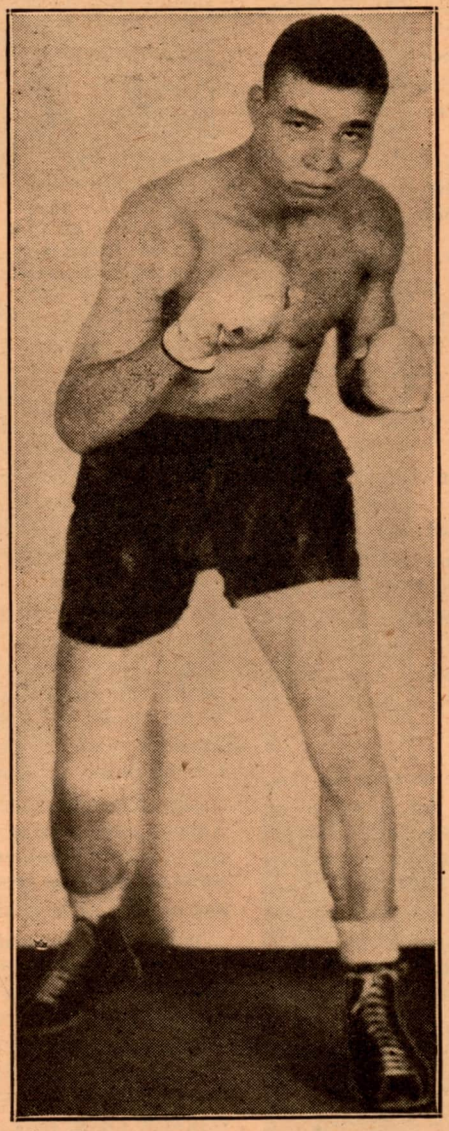
Lenny "Boom-Boom" Mancini, wearer of the Purple Heart, making a fine comeback.

AS Lenny "Boom-Boom" Mancini lay helpless on the cold, dank ground near Metz, severely wounded from six enemy machine-gun bursts, his one thought, despite the thunder of shells and the immediate danger to what little life he still possessed, was centered upon the fact that he might never be able to fight again.

While he waited for the medics, through his feeble consciousness there flashed back scenes in his fight with Sammy Angott, when he chased the lightweight champion all over the ring in Cleveland, only to see Sammy the Clutch cop an unpopular decision. His mind wandered back to the time he came out of the Civilian Conservation Corps where he was a cook and had learned to box.

His milling, perpetual-motion mode of battling caught on big with New York fight followers and some sports scribes even dubbed him the "White Armstrong" because his style of slugging was so similar to that of the former triple champion.

Lenny whipped Billy Marquart, Irving Eldridge, Dave Castilloux, Chief Crazy Horse, and a host of other topnotchers. In each case he was the underdog. Only five feet two inches tall, he looked like easy pickings for a clever boxer with a good left jab, but he surprised them all, this kid with a heart so big, he'd have to walk through a door sideways in order to pass through it.

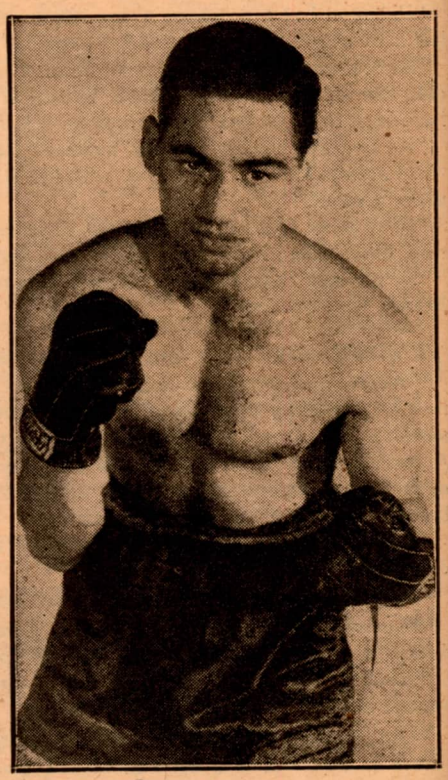


Billy Fox, the year's knockout king, who served in the Army.

Well, it was great while it lasted, Lenny figured. He'd met a lot of nice people, traveled a bit, and made some money.

Soon the doctors were examining him and they were wondering how long the sturdy Mancini would last, when by all signs he should have been dead long ago. Boom-Boom not only lasted, but as most fans already know, he's back on the boxing beat, winning bouts with his usual regularity, and has trained his sights on a match with Rocky Graziano whom he feels he can outslug anytime.

Wounded on November 10, 1944, while serving with the 35th Infantry Division, President Truman's old outfit, Mancini spent several months in Army hospitals.



Patsy Giovanelli, recently returned from the South Pacific.

The enforced rest and good food soon ballooned Lenny into a 195-pounder.

The doctors who had despaired of his life now felt he would never box again. Mancini was determined to fool them once more and when he was discharged, he rigorously trained down to his old weight limit of 140 pounds.

Now, in the opinion of many, Lenny is boxing better than ever. His punches seem stiffer and sharper and his endurance greater. While many ex-G.I.'s who came back after three or more years of war found it hard to regain their old form and quit fighting, Mancini, a Purple Heart campaigner, has proved an inspiration to other wounded men, be they boxers or just "good Joes" trying to come back along the rugged road to full recovery.

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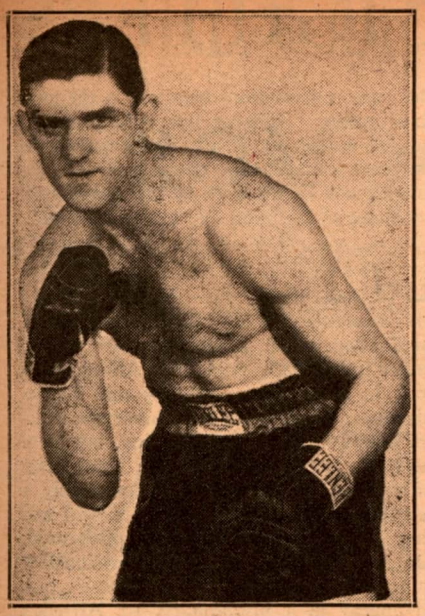
BILLY FOX

YOU'VE probably heard of Billy Fox, a nineteen-year-old husky, who bears a remarkable resemblance to Joe Louis. This fast-rising, lethal-larruping light-heavyweight not only looks like the heavyweight champion, but his fighting record thus far, is one to cause speculation as to whether Billy Fox may someday be boxing his idol for the title.

For in thirty-four professional encounters, Fox has stiffened exactly thirty-four foes! No one has ever gone the distance with him!

Billy, who had desired to become a box-



Johnny Ryan, classy Detroit welterweight, who expects his discharge from the Army shortly and is doing excellent work as a pro battler.

ing champion ever since childhood, came to Philadelphia from his home in Richmond, Va. He entered the Diamond Belt Tourney sponsored in that city by the *Inquirer*. This was in 1943. Fox went to the finals, losing to Bob Phillips.

"That tournament gave me the courage to fight before a crowd," Billy recalled.

His current string of kayoes proves what Fox has accomplished.

"My toughest fights in pro boxing," the soft-spoken Negro recalled, "were against Johnny Finazzo and Speedy Duval." He flattened Finazzo in four frames and finished the clownish, tricky Duval in seven rounds.

Fox was in the Army for eight months after which he received a medical discharge. While stationed at Fort McClellan, Alabama, he won the 175-pound title in a camp tournament. Billy also boxed an exhibition with Aaron Perry, the Washington welterweight.

Fox is managed by Frankie Palermo, well-known Philadelphia fight pilot.

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PATSY GIOVANELLI

ALITHE, brown-skinned Italian lightweight has returned from the wars determined to pick up the threads of his fistic career, and battle his way to the top of the 135-pound division.

Patsy Giovanelli, Brooklyn favorite, has one of the best records ever compiled by a topnotcher in recent years. A highly-rated boxer in THE RING rankings, Giovanelli has lost but ONE fight out of thirty-eight since he began fighting professionally. As an amateur he was undefeated in thirteen starts.

Before the war, Giovanelli, whom many mistake for an Indian because of the color of his skin, won twenty-one bouts before losing a tough one to Johnny Compo. The verdict was booed. Garden fightgoers remember particularly his two slambang fights with another New York youngster, Irving "Sonny" Simon. They stole the show upon two occasions with Patsy winning both times. Giovanelli's outstanding victory was the licking he gave Bobby Ruffin.

As a soldier, Patsy served in the South Pacific and was overseas for about three years. On October 18, 1942, he defeated Cpl. Joe Nolan of Boston to cop the U. S. Army welterweight championship of the South Pacific forces. This bout was staged at New Caledonia.

Back in civvies, Giovanelli is once again a lightweight, and has flashed great form in defeating Eddie Dowl and Jackie Leamus in his last two starts. A bit ring rusty, Patsy nevertheless displayed enough of his old, relentless, bore-in style and sharp body punches to prove he still has, at the age of 26, despite three years of interruption by the war, enough ability to resume battling against the cream of the lightweight boxers.

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KID CHICKEN
(Marcus Lockman)

THE Valley Arena in Holyoke, Mass., where many famous fighters got their start came up with another "comer" in the person of Kid Chicken, a fast-stepping middleweight with a stabbing left, who stepped in as an unknown sub against Jamaica Harold Smith at the famed "Cradle of Champions" recently.

"The "Chicken," whose right name is Marcus Lockman, was a 3 to 1 underdog when he faced the hard-hitting Smith. Smith's original opponent was George "Wildcat" Henry, who has scored solidly with New England fans of late. The hostile crowd soon began cheering Lockman as he boxed cleverly to easily defeat Smith. The Holyoke fans unanimously hailed Marcus as the greatest thing to show in their town since Beau Jack made his local debut.

This was sweet, heady wine to a youngster only three months out of the Army, where he had seen loads of bristling action in the Pacific. As a matter of fact it was Lockman's outfit that saved George Henry's group from complete annihilation after a Jap raiding outfit had ambushed them.

Kid Chicken came back to Holyoke to score another victory, this time against a home-town favorite, St. Paul. The ease with which he handles himself inside the hempen strands, the lack of clinching, and the fast pace he sets, has convinced most critics that Lockman has what it takes to reach the top.

Harold W. Heinz, sports columnist for the Springfield (Mass.) *Union*, in a recent article wrote: "Kid Chicken is the name he fights under but he's no turkey!"

Prior to his entry into the service, Lockman boxed professionally for about eighteen months. He engaged in 26 bouts, won eighteen, dropped six decisions, and fought two draws. The draw battles were with two good performers, namely, Tommy Bell of Cleveland and Chester Slider, outstanding Coast welter.

Before shoving off for battle, Kid Chicken defeated Lalo Rodriquez twice in Hollywood and scored over Bob Castro at Los Angeles. He packs a punch too, as he has rocked eight of his foes to sleep with potent rights.

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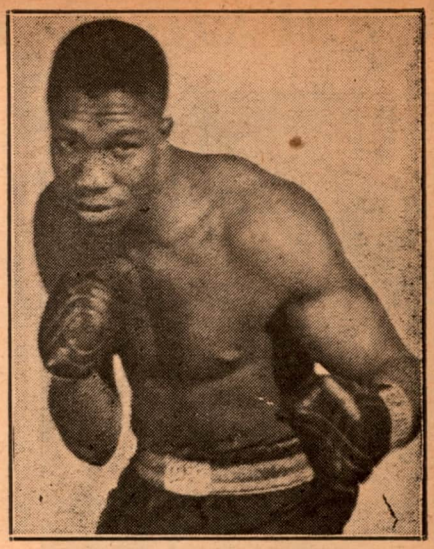
JOHNNY RYAN

A "Johnny on the Spot," Johnny Ryan, classy Detroit welterweight, has proven to be a veritable godsend to at



Marcus Lockman, known in the ring as Kid Chicken, an excellent middleweight, who won Army honors and who served in the South Pacific.

least three Eastern promoters for whom he has capably filled in as a last-minute substitute this season.

Ryan, who is really Pvt. John J. Zawalski, stationed at Aberdeen, Md., saved the show at the Ridgewood Grove on September 30, this year, for Matchmaker Moe Fleischer, when he took on Joe Governale with little training under his belt. He floored Governale in the first heat, but tired in the later rounds to drop the duke.

Two weeks later he filled in against the Jersey favorite, Joe Curcio, in Jersey City. The fans expected Curcio to dispose of the unknown Ryan quickly, but instead were treated to a beautiful display of neat boxing by Johnny. At the halfway mark, Ryan was leading, but again improper conditioning told the story and Curcio came on to nose him out.

Then came another big chance. His stablemate, Steve Riggio, who holds two wins over Rocky Graziano, was scheduled to face Lenny "Boom-Boom" Mancini at the Broadway Arena. Ryan took advantage of a one-day pass to come in and watch Steve box. Only the night before he had engaged in a bout at the Aberdeen base where he is the 3rd Service Command welter king. Mancini was out with a cut eye suffered in training and a good puncher, Ernie "Cat" Robinson was substituted. At the weighing-in ceremonies, Riggio turned up with a lame back and was excused by the Commission doctor.

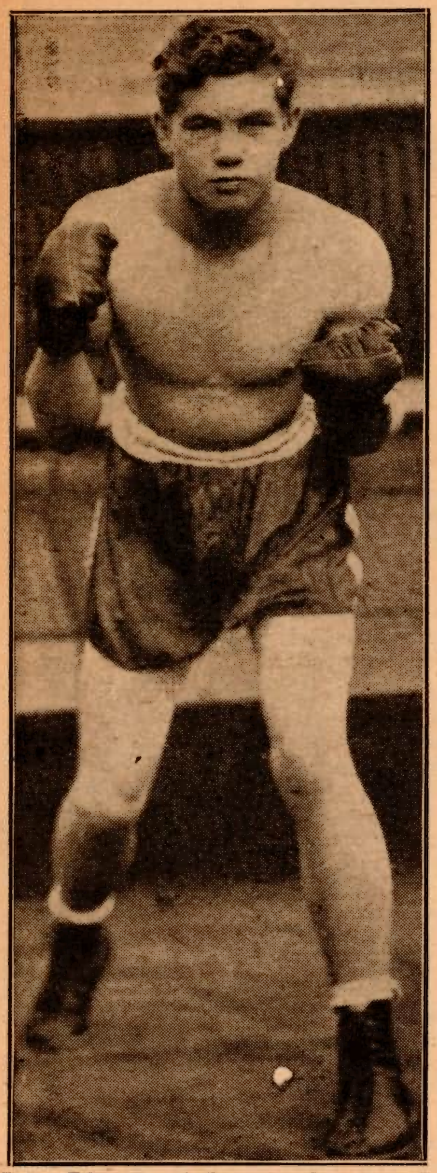
It looked like the Broadway Arena show was off this election night, until Max Joss, the promoter, hesitantly asked Ryan if he wanted to fight Robinson.

The soldier consented and again with no preparation, after a long, weary train ride, he stepped in against a tough fighter. Johnny scored sensationally this time. He peppered Robinson with snappy left jabs, staggered the "Cat" time and again and won rather easily. The fans cheered him as he left the ring and Joss hastened to sign "Johnny on the Spot" Ryan for future fights.

The 25-year-old soldier has had about thirty-three fights, half of which he has won by knockouts.

COLORFUL COAST FIGHTERS

By RIP



Babe Edwards of Los Angeles, recently discharged from the Navy. He is known as the "Baby-faced Dynamiter."

THE boys are really coming home these days and much of the heavy ammunition that has been directed against the Japs and Nazis will soon be tossed around in our local rings. One of the California boxers who packs more blasting power than most fighters is Babe Edwards of Los Angeles, who has just been discharged from the Navy. Although this youngster had engaged in but six professional bouts before entering the Service, he was one of the most-talked-of boxers in the entire state and had a large following.

If this lad can show the form he displayed before joining the Navy nearly three years ago, he figures to become one of Los Angeles' best drawing cards, for he has what the fans go for—an aggressive style with a KO wallop in both fists. What makes the youngster exceptionally colorful, is the fact that he has the innocent features of a cherub and the "killer instinct" of a caveman. He climbs into the the ring with a boyish smile, but, once the bell has sounded, he comes out like a Dempsey.

It was in the amateur ranks that Edwards built up his following and became known as "The Jack Dempsey of the Amateurs." He lost but twice in 40 starts. He scored 27 knockouts in his 38 victories.

Babe had his first pair of gloves tied on him by Harry Winkler, who has developed more high class amateur boxers than any other man in these parts. And it is Winkler who will direct Edwards in his pro career, which got off to a good start in 1943 when Babe defeated such fellows as Gaston Miller, Allen Arnett and Larry Martin. Edwards weighed 170 at that time. He now tips the beam at 185.

Yes, sir, there is to be a lot of beef dragged back to the ring corners in California in the coming year, for Babe Edwards, "The Baby-faced Dynamiter," is back!

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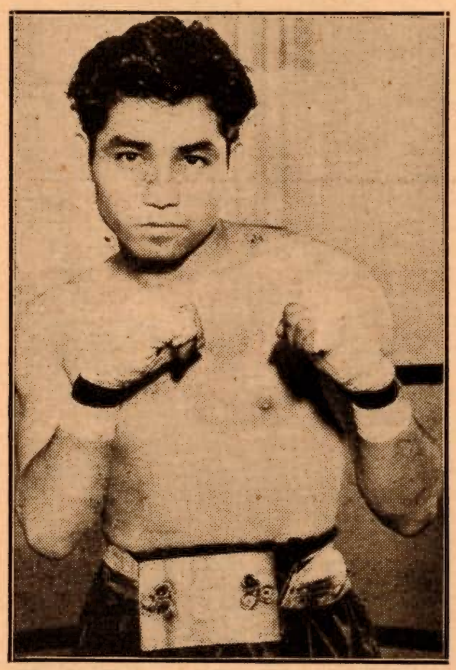
LOS ANGELES is well known for its good preliminary boxers. Some of the best action fights to be seen anywhere in the country are staged in the preliminary ranks of that city. Practically every eastern handler of boxers visiting the Angel City, has said as much. So, when a youngster is dubbed as one of the best "club fighters" performing in Los Angeles, the reader is assured that said youngster is a real pleasing scrapper.



Alfredo Chavez of Los Angeles, the California flyweight.

So, we introduce "Babe Huerta, young Mexican lightweight, one of the best club fighters in Los Angeles." Huerta could properly be called "The Mexican Fire-Cracker," not only because of his explosive action, but also because he was born on the 4th of July. Huerta lost but once in 25 amateur starts, and but twice in 12 professional bouts, winning 6 of these by KO's.

The youngster is fortunate to be under the management of Ray Saldivar, one of the most conscientious handlers in the local fistic colony. Saldivar not only loves the boxing game, but is also interested in the prevention of juvenile delinquency and devotes much of his time to the recreational problems of the youths in his community.

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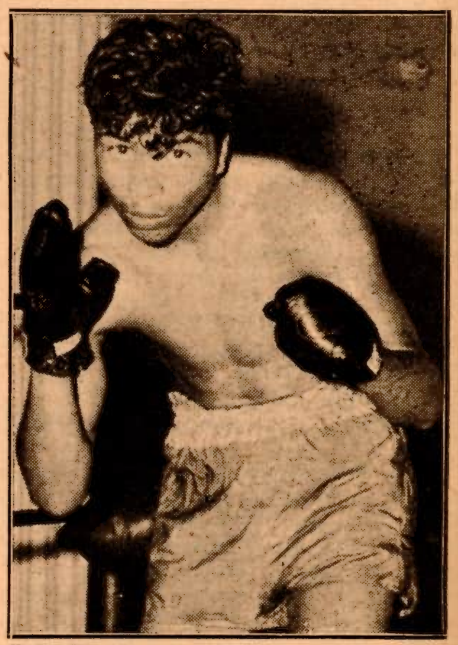
ALFREDO CHAVEZ of Los Angeles holds two titles. He is not only recognized as the Flyweight Champion of California, but, is also the most inactive boxer in the state. And since Alfredo loves to fight, his lot is an unhappy one. This is his predicament:—He is a main-event fighter, both in ability and standing, but there isn't another flyweight in the entire state of main-event calibre. There are only a few little fellows in Chavez's weight and they are only preliminary performers. Matchmakers cannot put these prelim kids in feature bouts, and Chavez doesn't care to appear in a preliminary, so, Alfredo's title is more honorary than actual.

Chavez has engaged in only one fight since being discharged from the Army, nearly a year ago. This was a bout with Elwood Romero, a bantam, in which Alfredo was winning when he received a cut eye, to lose by T.K.O. in the ninth round. The colorful little Mexican—brother of Carlos Chavez, the California featherweight champion—proved his class while in the Army stationed in Hawaii. While there he fought Dado Marino, the Filipino flyweight champion, a close 12-rounder for the title. In fact, he met Marino three times, dropping close decisions.

Chavez is unhappy. He wants to fight somebody. He is willing to take on any of the bantamweights, even though he seldom weighs over 112 pounds. But out here on the Coast, that is too much of a chore for a flyweight, as the main-event bantams in California happen to be the best in the world. So, if there are any flyweights in the eastern cities who rate highly with local fans, or promoters—Johnny Forbes of Los Angeles would welcome an offer for the services of Alfredo Chavez.

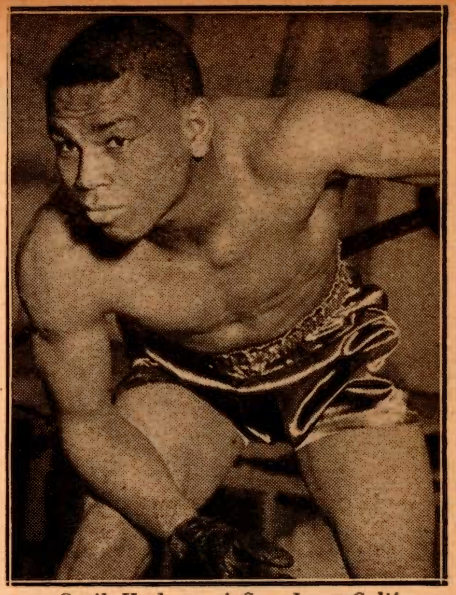


Babe Huerta, one of the best club fighters on the Pacific Coast.

WELTER THREAT FROM *the* WEST

Cecil Hudson, Protege of Henry Armstrong, One of the Hardest Hitters of His Weight, Now Campaigning in the East

By LUKE SIMMONS



Cecil Hudson of San Jose, Calif.

A NEW welterweight warrior came out of the West recently to steal the show at Madison Square Garden, and as fans filed out of the famed "House that Tex Built" they were comparing Cecil Hudson, dynamic Los Angeles slugger, with Champion Red Cochrane, Ray Robinson, Marty Servo, Tippy Larkin—and above all with Rocky Graziano.

For although Hudson, making his second Garden showing, stopped only a good, tough second-rater in the person of Red Doty, it was the manner in which he halted the Hartford gamester that aroused such speculation.

Hudson, a protege of Henry Armstrong, catapulted out of his corner at the opening bell and uncorked the hardest-hitting left jab seen around New York for many years. It was an unerring, stiff, dynamite-laden wallop packed with potency. In a few seconds Doty's face was discolored. A moment later, stunned and baffled, Red, who has mingled with the best mittmen in his class, sank to the canvas.

Hudson amazed the crowd by dancing up and down in a neutral corner, executing a peculiar jig. Then as Doty arose he was upon him again. Left, left, left—that's all Hudson used in sending a weary Doty back to his corner. The second round was a repetition with the stout-hearted Doty trying vainly to retaliate while being literally blinded by rapid-fire lefts.

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IN HIS corner between rounds, Hudson had the crowd gaping in awe as he used up his minute rest period jogging up and down in his corner, never sitting on his stool! Cecil finally used a right, and it was this blow in the third round that caused the referee to save the reeling redhead from further punishment.

The Los Angeles Larruper was born on May 12, 1920, in Oklahoma. Hudson's father died when he was 10 and the family moved to Arizona. In Phoenix, at the age of 12, Hudson began to support his family with his fists. He boxed all over the state of Arizona at smokers with Paul Lewis, younger brother of former light-heavyweight champion, John Henry Lewis.

Later Cecil moved with his mother and sister to Los Angeles, and from the age of 13, until he was 15, Hudson engaged in numerous outlawed 'bootleg' bouts.

"I was the only support of my family even though I was a kid in knickers," Hudson recalled proudly. "I paid the rent and all the bills."

In 1936 he boxed as an amateur, taking part in 25 contests and losing only three. Two years later, Hudson reached the finals of the lightweight class in the Los Angeles Golden Gloves tourney, but lost a close battle to Shorty Hogue, who went on to become a pretty fair pro on the West Coast.

After copping the A.A.U. lightweight championship of Southern California in 1939, Hudson turned pro and racked up a string of 22 straight wins before losing a split decision to Jimmy Garrison. Cecil has kayoed one-third of his sixty pro opponents and has lost 12 times.

Most of these losses, Hudson asserts, were the result of a fragile right hand which he broke 14 times. However, these fractures had a peculiar compensation, for it was while he had his right hand immobilized by a cast upon several occasions, that Hudson learned to use and develop the fierce left jab he now possesses.

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"I JUST couldn't see laying off and putting on weight while my hand was healing," the pleasant-faced youngster explained, "so I visited the gym for workouts. I'd punch the bag and then before you know it, I was boxing with some kids and using only my left hand, I got plenty of practice."

Did he think that over-emphasis on his left would hamper him when he faced an experienced boxer who could keep circling toward his right, or bob and weave and slip his punches?

"Oh, Cecil packs a terrific right," his life-long pal and co-trainer, Herndon Greene cut in. "He's fooled lots of guys that way who thought he couldn't punch with his right. Man, it's dynamite!"

Hudson, who is still managed by Henry Armstrong, has often been compared to the triple champion. Cecil differs with this opinion.

"We both have lots of stamina," Hudson said, "but I'm a boxer primarily, Henry was a slugger."

Strange as it may sound, a match between Hudson and Armstrong was in the making in California just as Henry bought Cecil's contract.

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HUDSON is married to the former Jessie Stuart and they have two children, a girl and a boy. The Coast Clouter realized the proudest ambition of his life a couple of years ago when he purchased for his beloved Mom, a chicken ranch in California. Reading good books, especially biographies, and attending motion pictures, are Cecil's favorite diversions. He is also an excellent ballroom dancer.

A serious-minded boxer, Hudson is glad New York fight followers like him, because he likes New York, and hopes to break into the select circle of leading welterweight contenders.

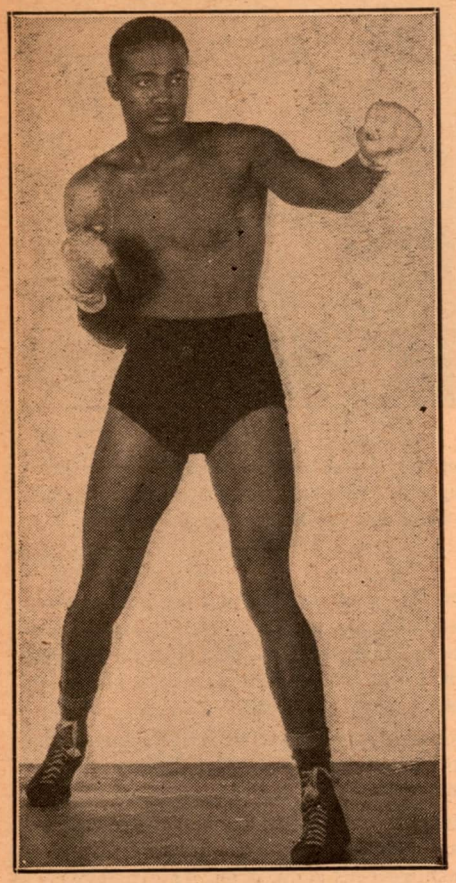
Jimmy Brown and Herndon Greene, who train Hudson, have their biggest problem in seeing that their charge does not overtrain. When doing roadwork, Cecil circles the Central Park reservoir three or four times, and declares he's just getting warmed up. The average pug rarely goes around more than twice.

Prior to a fight this highly charged, tense piece of fighting machinery has been known to shadow box in his dressing room for as much as fifteen rounds before going out to do battle! When he returns after a bout he "tapers off" with two or three more rounds of loosening up to relieve the pent up energies stored within him.

Many of his hapless opponents, no doubt hope he'd continue his fight in the dressing room and leave them alone. This, despite the fact that in his second appearance in the Garden against Zivic, he was far less impressive than against Doty.

They've Made Good in 1945

By THE OBSERVER



Al Hoosman, giant heavyweight, holder of several service championships, now managed by Jimmy Johnston.

AS the boxing world eagerly anticipates the New Year, which it predicts will usher in the most lucrative period since the Golden Era of Boxing when Tex Rickard ruled the roost as the world's premier promoter, it looks back with satisfaction on the many new faces who have come to the fore during the past year. How this new talent will fare against the crop of veterans who are making comebacks after their discharge from the various branches of the armed forces, or against the seasoned fighters who have reaped small fortunes while the "big shots" were doing their bit in the World War, is the topic of the day in fistic circles. Already some of the lads who were inconspicuous figures in the boxing world twelve months ago, are knocking on the door of the elite, ready to push their way into the select circle.

Some of the "new" faces are really not new at all. Many boys who were mediocre battlers before going to war, seemed to find themselves and developed rapidly while in the service. Ordinary prelim boys or comparative unknowns mowed down all opposition in camp tournaments and are now beginning to establish themselves as popular star bout performers in various localities throughout the country.

Then there are the lads who never dreamed that someday they would be standing on the threshold of fistic fame and fortune. Prior to their enlistment, numerous kids had never even worn a boxing glove, but once coached and nursed along they showed amazing natural talent and took to the gloves sport like a duck to water.

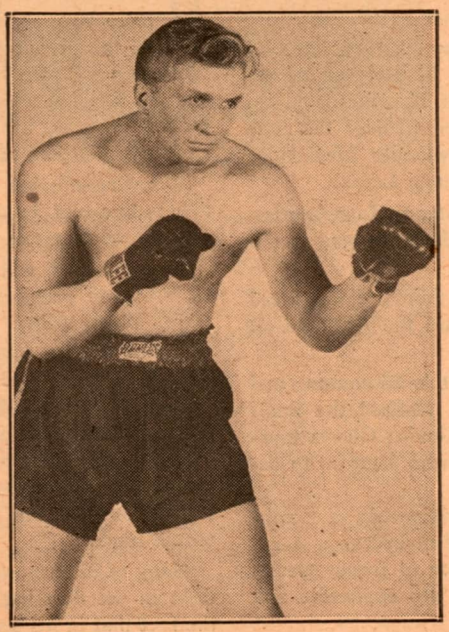
In earlier articles, THE RING has devoted columns of space to returning servicemen like Louis, Conn, Lesnevich, Lenny Mancini, Marty Servo, Georgie Abrams, Chester Rico, Patsy Giovanelli, Steve Belloise, Beau Jack, and others who were shedding their uniforms to pick up their boxing careers where they left off. However, these worthies, prior to the war, were experienced established ringmen. It was only a question of whether these men could regain their old-time shape and sharpness of punch. It only remained to be seen how much the rigorous routine of Army, Navy, Coast Guard, Merchant Marine or Marine life had hampered them.

New top-flight names like Kid Chicken, Billy Fox, George Henry, Al Hoosman, Joe LaMotta, Eddie Murphy, Red Priest, Timothy "Buddy" Hayes and Johnny Pretzie, to name only a handful, are beginning to make boxing headlines. Unknown but talented youngsters like Bobby Boucher, Joey Carkido, Clint Miller, Laverne Roach, Howie Brodt, Johnny Ryan and Harry Berntsen are steadily forging to the front with victories over tough opposition.

Today even prelim bouts are closely matched. Due to the scarcity of classy talent the up-and-coming youngster is rarely fed a washed up vet. Instead, he usually finds himself in a rugged battle with a kid equally as ambitious and determined as he is. This enables a lad to come up the hard way.

Let us delve into the ring records and other pertinent data concerning many of the latest sensations and crowd pleasers in boxing.

Right now while all attention is focussed upon the Louis-Conn go this June, a youngster as phlegmatic as the Brown Bomber himself, looms as a heavyweight threat in the near future. He is Billy Fox, a 19-year-old native of Philadelphia, who has belted out 34 opponents in 34 bouts! No one has gone beyond seven rounds with the stiff-socking Fox, who emerged from the Army, a light-heavyweight. He should invade the heavyweight division within a year.



Harry Berntsen, Norwegian heavyweight with a hefty wallop.

Eddie Murphy, a former C.Y.O. Golden Gloves champion, who looms as an excellent 1946 prospect.

Kid Chicken and George Henry are two excellent examples of fighters who were headlining cards in small clubs throughout the country some five years ago with little or no recognition. Chicken, whose real name is Marcus Lockman, boasts a draw with Chester Slider in 1941. He had to quit pro fighting when he entered the Army in 1942. Emerging from the Army he stepped in with little training and beat Harold "Jamaica" Smith at Holyoke, Massachusetts. Lockman is now established as a great card in New England and a match with George Henry who upset Cocoa Kid, will probably break all attendance records in that part of the country.

Al Hoosman is well known to RING readers who followed his career while he was with the Army in Australia. Although he boxed the best Down Under, Jimmy Johnston's new charge came to New York unheralded. His elongated stance which reminds old timers of Harry Wills, his snappy left, good footwork and hard right uppercut, has already raised the question

as to how Hoosman would shape up against Lee Oma, Joe Baksi, Freddie Schott, Tami Mauriello and other topnotchers in the heavyweight class.

Joe LaMotta, kid brother of Jake, already has many backers who opine he can run his brother right out of the ring, were they to be matched. While this opinion and the match are both highly questionable, there is no doubt that Joey LaMotta will make himself felt among the leaders in the middleweight ranks.

Red Priest, middleweight, Buddy Hayes, feather, Eddie Murphy, lightweight, and Johnny Pretzie, Boston heavyweight, are all untried youngsters who have been fighting star bouts, and have shown exceptional promise. They will be heard from in 1946.

Ex-Lt. Bobby Boucher, former Army Air Forces fighter pilot, is the outstanding specimen of a raw novice who is making good.

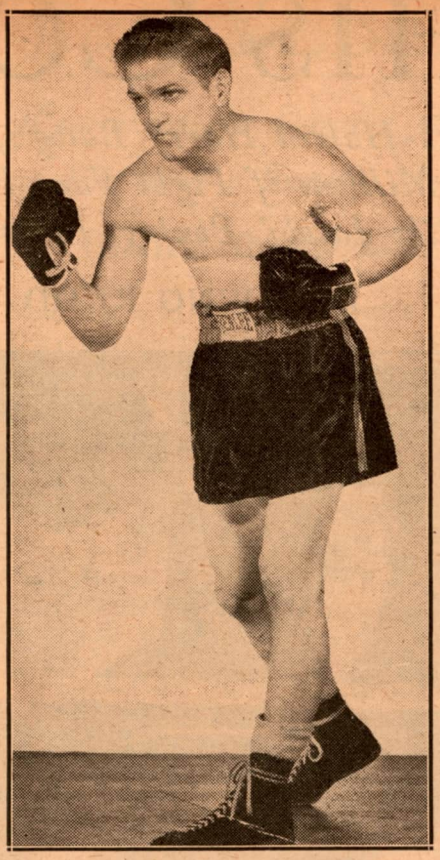
An all-around athlete in high school, the serious-minded Boucher, who aspires to a medical degree, never boxed before entering the Army. He showed such exceptional skill and rare natural fighting qualities that he was persuaded to try professional boxing, and to date is undefeated in six pro starts.

Laverne Roach was first discovered in a Marine Corps tournament by Nat Fleischer, who refereed the finals of a camp show at Albuquerque. Although Roach lost in the finals, Nat chose him as the outstanding performer and predicted he'd go far in boxing. At present Roach is awaiting his discharge from the Leathernecks to take up his position in the welterweight ranks and has a clean pro record with several kayoes.

Clint Miller is a classy featherweight protege of welterweight champion Freddie "Red" Cochrane and has already topped several cards in New Jersey. Miller has also been seen in Madison Square Garden, where he displayed plenty of class.

Joey Carkido is a stablemate of Tony Janiro and is unbeaten thus far. Frankie "Jay" Jacobs, his pilot, promises that the Youngstown lightweight will be "the Tony Janiro of 1946."

Another heavyweight threat is Harry Berntsen, a former sailor in the Norwegian Navy. He stands well over six feet and weighs about 210 pounds. Berntsen is a handsome, sprightly blonde lad and has shown he can take a poke to the whiskers as well as dish it out. In six starts he has starched all opposition including the previously unbeaten Hal Glassman of Philadelphia.



Jock Leslie, Flint, Mich., featherweight, with good Eastern record.

Delving further into the prospects of the up-and-coming boxing stars, we find many men who have already made their mark. Tabbed by THE RING as "comers" during 1945 were Charley Padalino, Detroit; Henry Majcher, New York, and Joe Blackwood, also of New York, all middleweights.

Padalino has won 17 of 18 pro contests and looms as a star bout starter of great appeal in the Midwest. Majcher, a former Army sergeant, has won all of his fights thus far, and Blackwood has been extremely active during 1945, boasting a draw with Kid Chicken among his other accomplishments.

In the welter class, Major Jones of Kansas City, Mo., and Al LaBarba might come forth as out-standing fighters in their class. LaBarba has suffered but one loss, an unfortunate eye cut at the hands of Red Doty marring his record with a technical knockout. Highly rated as prospects, two Jerseyites, Tony Riccio and Joe Curcio, will probably make things hum among the 147-pounders. Riccio's most notable victory is a decision over Jackie Wilson, while Curcio has trounced Fritzie Zivic. Danny Kapilow also looms as a leading welterweight contender, as does Vince LaSalva and Louis Rousse.

Johnny Bratton was hailed as contender material almost at the beginning of 1945 and he has already beaten Cleo Shans. He is a great favorite with New Orleans fans and provides plenty of thrills with his classy, active style. Another New Orleans star, Bernard Docusen, is still in the Army.

Clint Miller was the featherweight choice for the month of February, 1945, in THE RING. Jock Leslie has chalked up numerous wins. A "sleeper" to watch among the 126-pounders is a thunderous punching Negro from Jamaica, L. I., Joe "Sandy" Saddler, who has, according to the record, won 21 straight fights during 1945 and flattened 17 of his foes. Saddler's difficulty seems to lie in the fact that many featherweights refuse to meet him because of his powerful sock.

The little men, that is, the bantam and flyweights, have not made many followers of pugilism sit up and take notice. However, Mickey Quack, a favorite from Pittsburgh, and Little Giant, a Californian 118-pounder, are two bantams who may arouse interest in that division. Little Giant, whose right name is Horace Leftwich, has been beaten by only one man during 1945, the world's bantamweight champion, Manuel Ortiz, who was extended all the way.

It appears that for action among smaller men, we'll have to await developments from abroad. A heretofore unknown, Theo Medina, a Parisian, scored a sensational upset in whipping the English champion, Jackie Patterson, in Paris a couple of months ago. Terry Allen, a flyweight, is with the Royal Navy, and he is looked upon by the Britishers as a fighter of great repute. He may be forced to go after the heavier boys in order to obtain opposition, although he is but a lad of about 20.

The war has interfered with the usual close contact maintained with European and Australian boxing experts, and for all we know, many fighters now unknown across the vast oceans will make the grade in their own country and eventually come here to liven the international fistic rivalry that is sure to blossom soon.

No doubt many, many fighters have been omitted. Perhaps, as you read this, a GI

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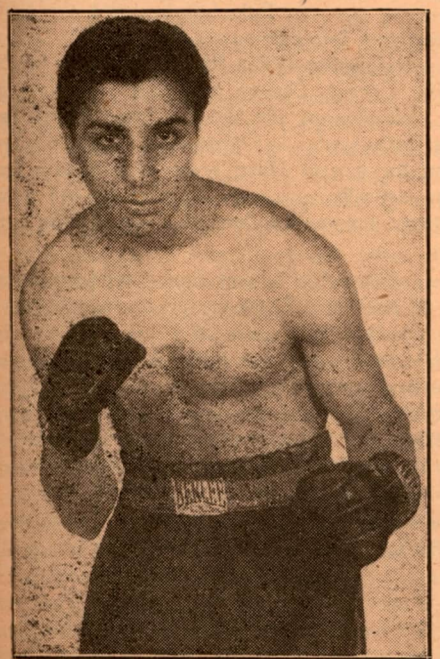
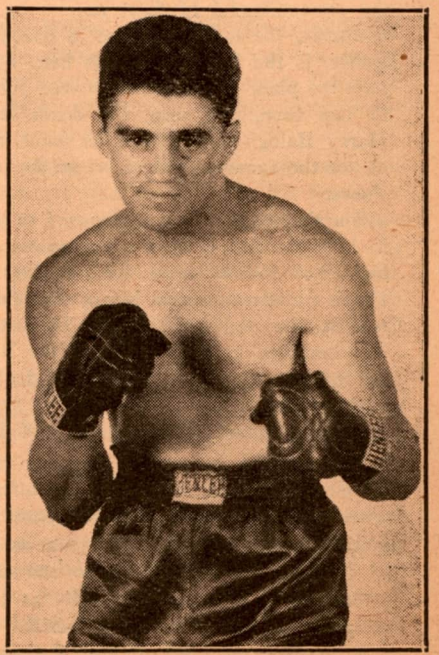


Joey Carkido, Youngstown, O., lightweight, who is making rapid strides.



Vincent LaSalva, Mount Vernon, N. Y., welterweight, a good club fighter.

"IN THIS CORNAH"

Introducing Slick-Haired Harry Balogh, the "Verce" That Is Carried to Millions of Fight Fans From the Rings of Mike Jacobs' Boxing Promotions

By IRVING RUDD

"THE win-nah and still world's heavyweight champion—Joe Louis."

Recall the thrill you got or the surprise that momentarily caused you to go breathless, as that sentence came over the air when Joe Louis knocked out Billy Conn in the thirteenth round of their bout at the Yankee Stadium after Billy came within a hairsbreadth of copping the crown?

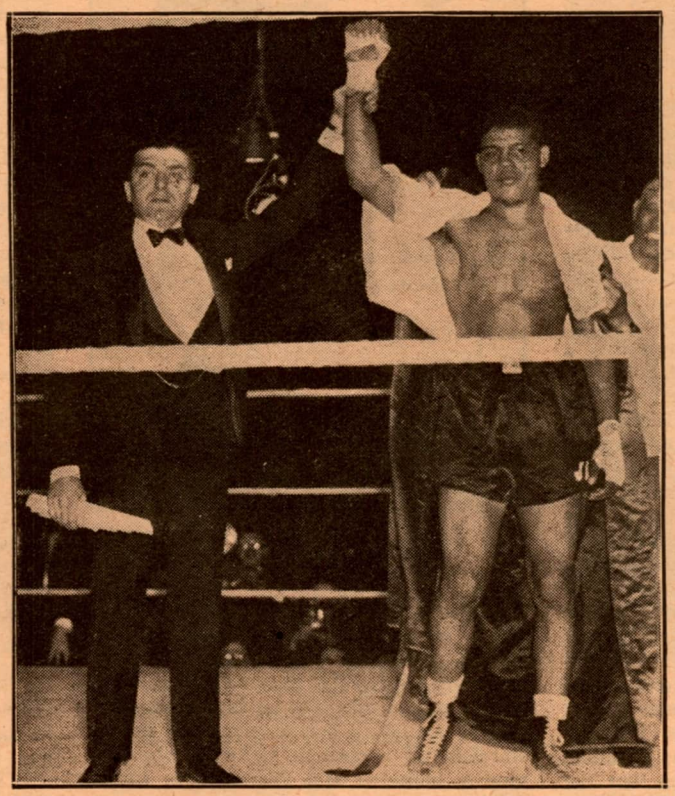
Or—

"In this cor-nah, Max Schmaling of Ger-many, foremost challenger for the heavyweight title.

"In this cor-nah, the world's heavyweight chap-peen, our own Joe Louis."

Or, as you sat comfortably in your seat in Madison Square Garden, awaiting the call to arms of the first preliminary boys, a hush fell over the arena as you got this from the "ver-ce of boxing"—

"Ladies and gentlemen — a very enjoyable good evening to you all."



"The win-nah an' still the world heavyweight champion, Joe Louis." Harry Balogh (left), has frequently been heard making that statement as he held up the hand of the Brown Bomber at the end of a championship bout.

Slick-haired Harry Balogh, the most colorful of fight announcers, the man who uses a dozen words where one might suffice, is the fellow who has been holding your attention. He took the place of the clarion-voiced Joe Humphreys, whose pupil he had been, and since the death of that famous announcer, Harry Balogh has become as much a part of national boxing as are the famous fighters whom he introduces at Mike Jacobs' shows.

The first of the fistic announcers to appear in the roped square in ballroom attire, Harry has gained international fame and a legion of followers on Bash-Beaked Boulevard. Long before Frank Sinatra appeared before the "mike" to bewitch the bobby soxers, the dignified, dapper Demosthenes of the prize ring was heralded as the "Voice of the Radio." Rumor has it that the millions who listened in to a fight broadcast by Mike Jacobs' Club, tuned in, not so much to get the round by round details, as to get a good belly laugh out of Harry's scrambled syntax.

This colorful, impeccable character can quell the rowdiest mob by merely staring stonily at any offender who dares interrupt when he is announcing. Balogh's public hangs on his every word and grins approvingly as he redundantly proclaims Tony Janiro as "that up and coming *youthful youngster.*"

The crowd will applaud wildly as Harry announces that "he weighs tew, tew, tew, and a hahf."

When the playing of the National Anthem is completed, Balogh will solemnly "hope, trust and pray that all our boys will be home soon."

To see Harry strut his stuff with fifteen long minutes to kill before the main event can go on because of the nationwide radio broadcast, is a treat so rare. He will rave about an "outstanding challengah, who comes here with a fine re-cawrd," swing into an announcement about some future fight; and if still stuck for precious seconds can switch to a sermon against jaywalking when leaving the Garden, "don't pass the red light or take any wooden nickels, I thank you!"

A native New Yorker, Harry William Balogh upon graduation from high school, where he was the valedictorian, went into the hotel business. He also boxed as a bantamweight and featherweight for the Samaclar Athletic Club, a composite organization representing the Hotels Savarin, McAlpin, and Claridge. From there he tried his hand at the jewelry business and then became general manager of Grupps' gymnasium in Harlem, one of the outstanding and oldest established boxers' gymnasiums in the world.

Balogh introduced the fighters as they entered the ring for sparring sessions. Johnny Dundee visited Grupps' one day sporting a Tex Rickard diamond belt he had won by beating George Chaney and thus becoming the junior lightweight champion of the world. After Harry had introduced the great little battler in his usual inimitable manner, the Scotch-Wop put the bug in Harry's ear to become a ring announcer by enthusiastically expostulating that he had never heard anyone, anywhere, present a fighter in a style so distinctly original as Harry's.

Balogh's big chance came when he was signed as an announcer by the late Paddy Mullins and Si Flaherty who had built the Queensboro Arena, which at that time (25 years ago) was the largest outdoor club in the country. He made good and thereafter was greatly in demand everywhere. Harry stepped into the armories and was made the official announcer for all New York State armories conducting soldier boxing. Harry soon struck up a friendship with the late Joe Humphreys, whom he worshipped and idolized as one of the outstanding figures of fistiana.

Balogh was the only man Humphreys ever called upon to serve as a substitute if the latter had another engagement or was ill. The younger announcer's first big chance came when Humphreys, scheduled to fulfill a previous engagement at Ebbetts Field, entrusted Harry with the very important assignment of introducing the first mixed match under the Walker Law. This bout took place on September 26, 1922, at the old Pioneer Sporting Club. Irish Johnny Curtin and Danny

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A NIGHT at ALBERT HALL

Boxing Returns to Pre-War Basis in London With Bruce Woodcock Enjoying Prestige as England's Future Heavyweight Hope

By EDDIE BORDEN

SIX thousand fans crowded historic Albert Hall to its full capacity with thousands of rabid ring partisans left standing outside owing to lack of space and saw boxing return to its pre-war eminence with a mixed crowd which comprised nobility, celebrities in all walks of life, as well as the average fight fan. Seats that sold at box office prices of from four dollars to 42 dollars were at a premium and the house was completely sold out two weeks in advance.

The man primarily responsible for attracting such a turnout was Britain's young heavyweight of note, Bruce Woodcock, who still remains undefeated in his professional career. He disposed of Jock Porter, a game, determined Scot in the third round after the crowd was thrilled by the dynamic punching and the superlative gameness of his adversary.

But the fight that captivated the enthusiasm of the audience with a display of never-stop punching was the eight-rounder between Arthur Danahar, one of Britain's leading welterweights, and Omar Koudri, French welterweight champion. This fight alone was worth the price of admission, and I am also taking into consideration the high tariff paid for the tickets. For sheer, unadulterated thrill-tingling excitement this bout had few equals.

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GETTING back to the Woodcock affair, this young Bruce is going to be a serious figure when the world's heavyweights are reckoned.

Bruce is a square shouldered determined looking individual who has authority in either hand. His best punch, a short overhand right, packed plenty of dynamite. Porter, a tall, lanky, crafty workman, moved around the ring loosely, finding his target with a sharp left jab. During the first two minutes, Porter was having the best of the going, and it seemed as if Woodcock was unable to reach him solidly with any degree of effectiveness.

Coming out of a clinch, the roof literally fell on Porter. A sharp, snappy right hander that looped slightly, caught Porter right on the chin and down he went. He arose at the sound of eight, and the knockdown seemed to inspire Jock with an idea for retaliation. He began tossing punches at Bruce, with Woodcock making little effort to defend himself. Again, like a thunderbolt from out of the blue, another right and down went Porter. This time it looked like he would remain on the floor for the completion of the count. At three the bell rang ending the round.

In the second round Woodcock began to get after his man in earnest and floored him again for a five count. Upon regaining his equilibrium, Porter fought back with renewed fury, but his punches lacked the force to seriously annoy Bruce or throw him out of stride. Once more that dynamic right landed and down went Porter for a nine count. Jock arose and renewed his vigorous, although futile efforts. A solid left hook followed by another trusty right and Porter was on the floor when the bell came to his aid again, this time at the count of five.

The third round spelled doom for Porter. He was floored four more times before Referee Jack Hart finally stopped the carnage. He was dropped for a count of nine and two sixes when the final knockdown occurred and prompted the arbiter to halt proceedings. Porter was dropped nine times in all.

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WEIGHING Woodcock as potential championship material, it is inevitable for him to make an American tour. Aside from Louis and Conn, Woodcock stands an equal chance with ANY HEAVYWEIGHT IN THE UNITED STATES. There is no likely competition available for him on this side of the Atlantic, and it is essential that he get more experience before he can be pitted against Louis or Conn. He is 24 years of age and his victory over Porter is his twenty-third consecutive victory in the professional ranks. Woodcock scaled 187 against 184¼ for Porter.

When he and Gus Lesnevich meet here in February, it will be a severe test for Bruce. The bout also will enable the fans to get a real line on Bruce's talent as compared with America's leaders. I know Lesnevich's capabilities as well as anyone, and I hereby go on record as saying that this fight will result in a gruelling, exciting setto which will do more to promote good will between the Americans and the British than any Peace Conference could develop. It should be a clean, sportsmanship fight and it will be a tough task to select the winner.

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DANAHAR, who is a sergeant in the R.A.F., and Koudri provided the patrons with such excitement as is seldom seen here. The British discarded their customary reserve when they stood up and cheered round after round when these two valiant gladiators punched, slugged and threw blows with reckless abandon throughout their eight rounds. Danahar, ordinarily a good boxer, tossed caution to the winds to meet the sturdy attack of this plucky Frenchman, who resembled Pedro Montanez both physically and in fighting style.

Koudri, with kinky colored hair and copper colored features, fought from a crouch position, but always in the position for attack. His incessant forcing and aggressiveness compelled Danahar to do away with his boxing, and Arthur slugged away with reckless abandon, which may have lost him the decision, but it certainly did not detract from his crowd-pleasing tendencies nor did he lose any prestige with the fans.

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A MINOR upset was scored when Jose Ricol, accredited French heavyweight champion, was knocked out in the second round of his scheduled ten-rounder with George James, of Wales, who stepped into the breach as a last-minute substitute for Eddie Phillips, who pulled out the day before the fight.

James covered himself with glory as the last-minute entry because he had remained inactive five years during his service in the Army and he stepped in because of financial necessity. After an even first round, James connected with a solid right hander which dropped the Frenchman for the count. It was the first victory scored by an English boxer over a Frenchman in the last seven starts in Allied inter-boxing contests. Nicol scaled 191½ against 205 for James.

Harry Watson whipped Jimmy Hockley in a hard-fought six-rounder, while Jimmy Webster scored over Mickey Jones and Dave Sharkey outscrambled Dai Evans in other sixes on the bill.

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THOUGH the prices seem exorbitant for these particular contests, it is brought out in fairness to all concerned that the government extracts 48% tax on the receipts and there is also 5% which is turned over to the British Boxing Board of Control. Consequently it is impossible for main event boxers to participate on a percentage basis, and guarantees are given every boxer on the bill.

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The Ring's Honor Roll

By CPL. JIMMY HEARNS

AMERICAN occupation of Japan is giving at least one U. S. collegiate and professional wrestling champion a chance to study the tricks of Japanese judo wrestling first hand. He's Capt. Ralph S. Silverstein, 32, of Chicago, one-time national collegiate and A.A.U. champion and undefeated professional grappler. The stocky 200-pound former instructor at Chicago's Jewish People's Institute is now an intelligence officer attached to the veteran 32nd (Red Arrow) Division with the Sixth Army stationed in Japan.

Capt. Silverstein, who is at Yamaguchi in Southern Honshu, says he plans to take advantage of his stay in Japan to increase his knowledge of judo. The captain is no stranger to Japanese wrestling, having bested a Jap champion in an American style bout and dabbled in some of the tricks of judo in pre-war days.

The captain, who has hopes of returning to the States in a few months, has crammed a good deal of action and excitement into his seven months of overseas service.

When he isn't talking about his favorite sport, wrestling, he can be induced to talk about his service on Ie Shima on the Okinawa front where Kamakaze attacks and nightly air raids were a regular event or about the liberated American prisoners of war he interviewed while gathering evidence on Japanese atrocities and American traitors who served the Japanese. Information gathered by Capt. Silverstein will be used in drawing up war crime indictments.

He likes to tell the story of the brutal Japanese sergeant who was killed by a can of peaches.

"One of our liberated prisoners told me this story," the captain relates. "It seems our planes started dropping food to Americans in Japanese prison camps shortly after hostilities ceased. One particularly brutal Japanese sergeant went running out on the field to grab some of the food and was hit on the head and killed by a can of American peaches."

It was while serving on Ie Shima that Capt. Silverstein had the privilege of reading the late Ernie Pyle's last unfinished column, which has never been published. Pyle is buried on Ie Shima. Capt. Silverstein was also on Ie Shima when Japanese envoys en route to Manila to complete surrender arrangements arrived there.

"Before the war ended," the captain relates, "we had air raids every night. We were the closest American force to the Japanese homeland. There were many Kamakaze attacks on our shipping."

With the end of hostilities, Capt. Silverstein went to Manila where he helped interrogate liberated American prisoners. He joined the 32nd Division, a unit of Gen. Walter Krieger's Sixth Army, shortly before it left Luzon for Japan.

Capt. Silverstein plans to resume both his wrestling and his teaching after the war. He's particularly anxious to see professional wrestling cleaned up and the "freaks" eliminated from the game.

"I resent the way the general public classifies all wrestlers alike. There are good wrestlers in professional ranks."

He cited some of the men he met and defeated as examples of professionals who are skilled wrestlers. In this category he named Jim McMillan, Everett Marshall, Gus Sonnenberg, Ray Steele and the Dusek brothers.

Capt. Silverstein was National A.A.U. heavyweight champion in 1933. During 1935, '36 and '37 he attended the University of Illinois. In 1935 he was national intercollegiate heavyweight champion. He was Big Ten heavyweight champion in 1935, '36 and '37. In 1936 he missed making the American Olympic team by the narrowest of margins.

He turned professional upon graduation from college and combined wrestling with his duties as an instructor in physical education. He was undefeated as a professional and was considered World Champion in Michigan, Illinois and parts of Missouri. He entered the Army in August of 1941 as a second lieutenant. He spent considerable time as a physical instructor in the Air Corps before being transferred to intelligence work.

His brother, Lt. Comdr. Max Silverstein, an Annapolis man, was killed when the Destroyer *Sims* was lost in the battle of the Coral Sea. A destroyer escort was later named in his honor. Capt. Silverstein was present at the launching. Later he saw the *Silverstein* at the island of Mog Mog in the South Pacific.

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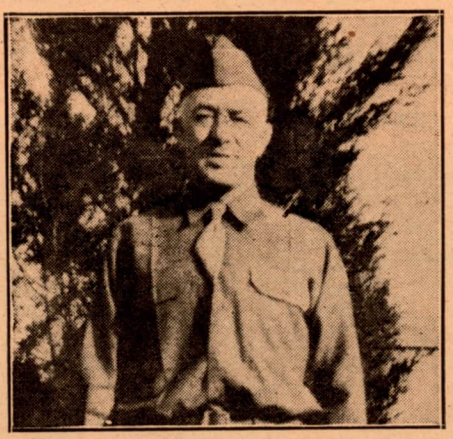
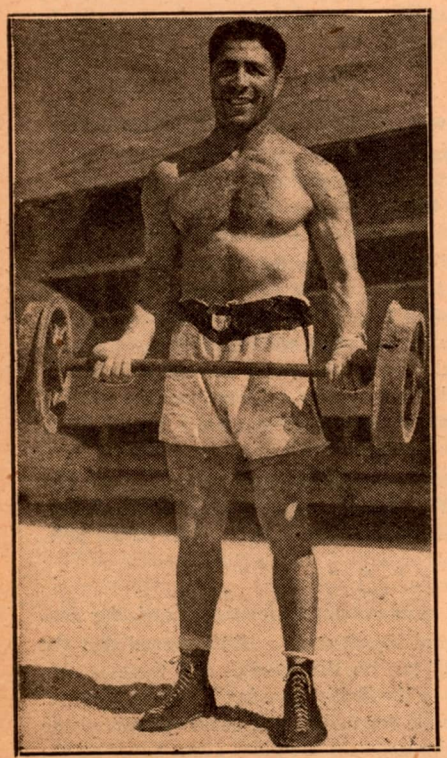
FISTICUFFS are on the upward turn with the 1st Cavalry Division in Tokyo. A crack boxing team from the 5th Regiment, studded with former Golden Gloves stars, has been challenging all comers.

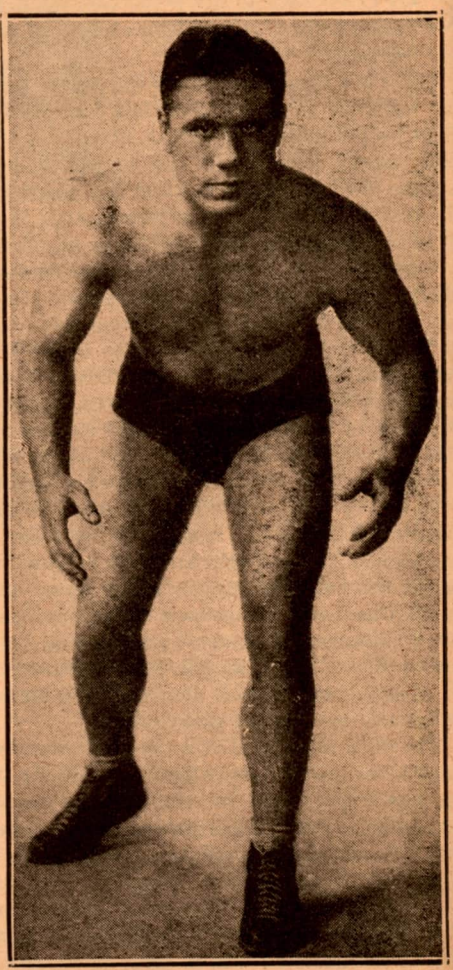
Coached by Oralie "Baby" Antuna,



Adam Horoschak, wrestling promoter of Shelton, Conn., who has been discharged from the service after two and a half years.



Cpl. Tom Attra, former Golden Gloves champion, stationed on Tinian Island.



Capt. Ralph S. Silverstein, Chicago wrestler, now with the infantry in Japan.

Don Hamill, RING correspondent, who will don civvies shortly.

former welterweight fighter who held the Rocky Mountains and West Coast titles, the team promises to make it interesting for any challengers.

Leading contenders in the heavyweight bracket are John Cowger and Daniel L. Walker. Walker formerly fought as an amateur in and around Rayville, Louisiana.

From Puerto Rico comes Hister Reveier, leading in the middleweight bracket. Reveier, former Puerto Rican amateur, is kept jumping by Gilbert Morgan and John Beles, both pushing him hard for top honors.

Welterweight representatives are John A. Lerton, San Luis Obispo star, and Fred Martinas.

Well known for his amateur fights in Fresno is Joss Dayton, who leads the lightweight division. Lacking Dayton's experience yet plenty tough, are Frank Mareus and Vincent Sanchez.

Another Puerto Rican is Ismail Riveria, featherweight bracket man, who is well known for his bouts on his home island. Also on the team is Tony Alba.

Manuel Del Tere and Reore Gonzales represent the bantamweight division. Del Tere, former Golden Gloves fighter, did most of his fighting around Puerto Rico and New Jersey. Gonzales is well known for his amateur work in Los Angeles.

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MAJOR James I. Mueller of Rolla is serving in Manila as Athletic and Recreation Officer, Base X. He is the son of Mr. August L. Mueller of Los Angeles.

At Finshafen, New Guinea, Major Mueller was Operations and Special Service Officer with the 692nd Engineer Special Shop Battalion. He supervised the construction and operation of the first night ball park in New Guinea. Major Mueller is a graduate of Norwood High School and Ohio State University. Before entering the Army he was employed by the National Tile Co., Inc., of Anderson as a ceramic engineer.

He is authorized to wear the Asiatic-Pacific Theater Ribbon with two campaign stars.

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DON HAMILL

BY the time this issue goes to press Don Hamill will be back in civilian clothes after two years of wearing the navy blue. Don isn't a boxer, but many of the readers may remember him as the Connecticut correspondent for THE RING. Others more closely connected with the boxing game know him as a manager of boxers in his native Connecticut.

While in the Navy Hamill attended the Naval Radio School at Auburn, Ala. He later attended an advanced radio school in San Diego before being assigned to the U.S.S. *Auburn*. The *Auburn* played an important role in the invasions of Iwo Jima and Okinawa as well as the occupation of Japan.

At the present time Don is lining up a stable of fighters to operate out of Hartford, Conn. He has Don Sauer, welterweight knockout artist; Hank Fiore, hard-hitting middleweight; Mike DiSola, coming light-heavyweight star, and a few others with whom full arrangements haven't been completed.

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CPL. TOM ATTRA

CPL. TOM ATTRA, now on Tinian Island, is the 1945 Golden Gloves title holder. A resident of Austin, Tex., he is a veteran of 117 fights and came out on top in 111 of them. Among his accomplishments was the Texas Golden Gloves tourney which he won four times; five-time winner of the Texas A.A.F.; the Texas State A.A.U. title in 1940, '41 and '43. He took over the Sugar Bowl and Southern Championship titles in 1943 at New Orleans.

During the past three years Tom has fought over most of the United States for Army, Navy and Red Cross relief shows, and in 1943 and 1944 toured the country with Al Hostak, Fritzie Zivic, Max Baer and Bob Pastor. It was while he was in Buffalo, N. Y., where he fought to a draw with Bob Foxworth at a Red Cross benefit, that he was given a Navy gold ring by former world heavyweight champion, Gene Tunney. And he really prizes that ring.

Tom won his first Golden Gloves national title in the 175-pound class in 1942 by sending Buddy Thomas to the canvas in the second round. This year he annexed his second Golden Gloves crown by defeating Joe Redoni, New York City Marine, in Chicago.

In December, 1944, and January, 1945, Attra was laid up in the hospital for a leg operation, and strangely enough his weight soared to 195 pounds. Date of the Golden Glove bouts was drawing near and he was more than just a bit worried as to whether he could get that poundage down anywhere near his best fighting weight. But in one month he did it. He lost 24 pounds and started training for the district and state bouts and eventually the final championship battle. Going up the ladder to that highest and coveted spot, he fought 16 bouts, using 10 K.O.'s in the process.

Tom turned professional in the Spring of 1945 and scored his first victory in the pro ranks on May 8 at San Antonio, Tex., via the K.O. route. In his six professional fights he won five with knockout punches and scored one decision. He says he is really going to miss the 1946 Golden Glove tourney but will make up for it with the Marianas bout and hopes to take the championship back to the United States.

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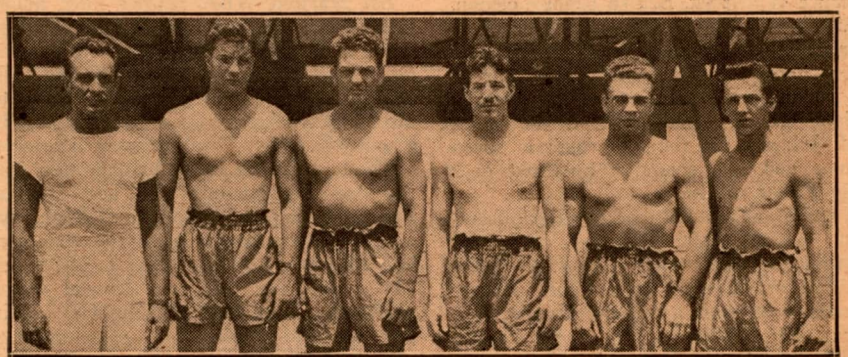
PFC. O'NEIL SHANNON, JR.

PFC. O'NEIL SHANNON, JR., aged 26, Negro, who has been in the army since May 12, 1945, was transferred from Sheppard field, Texas, to the Douglas army air field October 5, as boxing instructor of the athletic department. Shannon, who holds six boxing titles, has fought in 68 bouts, losing only two and these by decision. He also has been in about 24 exhibition bouts since entering the army. Prior to army service he traveled with USO units, visiting both army and navy camps putting on bouts.

Before he entered the service Ensign George C. Cooper of the U. S. naval training school at Hampton, Virginia, presented him with a commendation which read in part: "O'Neil Shannon is one of the most promising boxers ever to be developed in Newport News. He has compiled a very commendable record for himself and has been an inspiration to all service men." Shannon, to keep in perfect trim, takes daily running exercises, often running from the air base northwest of Douglas to the underpass in Douglas and return, and in an interview stated "even with heavy GI shoes."

Shannon expects to turn pro as soon as released and Chris Dundee will handle his affairs. Shannon has worked out in camp with many good pros and all think he is an excellent prospect. He has held his own in army boxing with the best talent. O'Neil was the North Carolina Golden Gloves titleholder for 1940. He competed in the welterweight division. He won the Intercollegiate A.A. title of Charleston, S.C., in 1943 and the Regional A.A.U. championship in 1944. He boxed for Hampton Institute. He now scales 168 pounds and hails from Newport News, Va.



The N. A. Technical Training Center team of Memphis, Tenn. Left to right—Al Geraci, coach; Tony Titare, 160 pounds; Art Saxell, all-Navy 160-pound champion; Harry Joyce, 147-pound National Golden Gloves champion; Mike Bordick, 147 pounds, and Eddy Chyz, 118 pounds.

LaMotta Is the Fighter of Month

By THE RING EDITOR

JAKE LAMOTTA, New York's colorful middleweight, by virtue of three knockouts against outstanding fighters, gained the honor of topping our list as "The Fighter of the Month." Jake, in addition, by his whirlwind finish of his year's activities, won still a greater honor, that of taking his place on the top rung of the ladder as the year's Number One man in THE RING'S Annual Rating of Boxers for 1945. The combination is our Christmas present to the fighting demon of The Bronx. He has earned it. In the three weeks prior to this issue's press time, LaMotta knocked out Coolidge Miller in three rounds; Walter Woods in eight and Charley Parham in six. The kayo he scored over Woods was the highlight of his year's work because at the time "Popeye" was one of the leading light-heavyweights in our world ratings.

The month was one of the most active of the year. Boxers recently discharged from the service, came to the fore with appearances in many parts of the country. A few made good but others lost through lack of training or condition. Among the leaders of the former service men who made a new bid for fistic glory were Marty Servo, Steve Belloise, Patsy Giovanelli, Boom Boom Mancini, the Rossano brothers, Vinnie and Rocco, the Rogers brothers, Joey and Jimmy, survivors of the U.S.S. *Juneau* which was torpedoed with the loss of many lives, Joe Governale, Stanley Poreda, Verne Bybee, Kenny Lindsay, Larry Cisneros, Al Hoosman and Lee Savold. Both Servo and Belloise, ranking welter and middleweight, won their bouts but didn't look any too good. Savold scored over Hoosman and gave a special performance.

This being the month when the yearly rating of boxers is made, there will be no monthly listing in this issue. However, the bouts of the month appear as usual.

In the heavyweight division, Elmer Ray scored two kayo victories over Tiger Grant Shade, in one and two rounds. Shade is a newcomer, perhaps a sparring mate of the victor, who it seems cannot obtain bouts with any of the top notch performers, hence is taking on the set-up type. This won't do Ray much good.

Bruce Woodcock, British Empire champ, won via the knockout route over Jock Porter. Arturo Godoy, another ranking heavy, took Johnny Haynes into camp in ten rounds. Herb Narvo won the heavyweight crown of Australia by defeating Jack Johnson via the KO route in seven rounds and also scored a knockout over Billy Fuller in three.

Tami Mauriello knocked out Earle Lowman in one, and disposed of Jerry Berthiaume, self-styled Canadian light-heavyweight king in two. Other leading heavies who won are Joey Maxim, Lee Oma and Nathan Mann. Oma kayoed Jackie Saunders and Prentiss Hall.

Archie Moore's knockout of Holman Williams was a notable feat of the month in the light-heavyweight class. Phil Muscato of Buffalo continued his fine work and now rates high in his division. He knocked out Mickey Hayes and beat Willie Barrow. Billy Fox, young Philadelphian, a former army man, continued his great knockout streak.

There is no stopping Jake LaMotta who scored a great triumph in knocking out Walter Woods in eight and then taking Charley Parham into camp in six. Jack Chase, former middleweight king of California, outpointed Kenny Watkins in a return to the ring. Marcel Cerdan added to his laurels when he stopped Assane Diouf to win the French middleweight title. Steve Belloise returned to ring warfare and scored kayoes over Billy Johnson and Irish Johnny Smith. Sonny Horne did well with triumphs over Larry Fontana and Artie Levine.

Boxers who showed promise during the past month are:

Heavyweight—Jimmy "Beau" Brown, Cincinnati
Light-Heavyweight — Tommy Sullivan, Boston, Mass.
Middleweight — Carman DeJohn, Syracuse
Welterweight—Pat Byers, Kannapolis, North Carolina
Lightweight—Babe Picazo, California
Featherweight—Ray "Sugar" Delgado, Cuba
Bantamweight—Frankie Pucci, Toronto, Canada
Flyweight—Little Tony, Tampa, Florida

In the welter class, Laurie Stevens retained the championship of South Africa; Tippy Larkin scored over Nick Moran; Ray Robinson again beat Vic Dellicurti and Billy Arnold scored over Ralph Zanelli. Sammy Angott continued his comeback victories with a good one over Danny Kapilow.

The lightweight class was one of much action. Ike Williams, NBA champ, drew with Wesley Mouzon in ten. Bobby Ruffin engaged in two bouts, one a no contest affair and the other a kayo over Santa Bucca. Willie Joyce won over Joey Barnum. Enrique Bolanos, now a lightie, won twice, over Harry Jeffra and Frankie Moore.

Sal Martolo, NBA feather king, added to his list of victims Jock Leslie, whom he licked in ten rounds. Phil Terranova stopped Oscar Lewis and beat Bill Eddy and Ellis Phillips, then took a plane for Cuba to meet Miguel Acevedo, Cuban champion, in a bout which THE RING Editor will referee.

The big surprise in the bantam class was the one-sided victory of Theo Medina, French champion, over the British flyweight and bantam king, Jackie Paterson, in Paris, in a non-title bout. Jackie scaled 120 pounds for this one. Manuel Ortiz, world champion, beat Proctor Heinold in ten and Jackie Jurich, former champ, outpointed Felipe Gomez. Paterson knocked out Sammy Reynolds in three rounds in another bantam bout.

Here are the month's results in all classes.

The heavyweight bouts:

Elmer Ray knocked out Tiger Grant Shade, 2. Ray knocked out Shade, 1. Al Hoosman knocked out J. D. Turner, 4. Hoosman lost to Lee Savold, 10. Turner outpointed John Pretzie, 10. Bruce Woodcock knocked out Jock Porter, 3. Arturo Godoy outpointed Johnny Haynes, 10.

Luigi Musina knocked out Primo Carnera, 7. Reg Andrews outpointed Charlie Collett, 8. Herb Narvo knocked out Jack Johnson, 7; knocked out Billy Fuller, 3. Teddy Randolph outpointed Georgie Parks, 10.

Tami Mauriello knocked out Earle Lowman, 1; knocked out Jerry Berthiaume, 2. Joey Maxim outpointed Cleo Everett, 10. Nathan Mann outpointed Eddie Blunt, 10. Tiger Sheppard outpointed Tommy Garland, 10. Sheppard knocked out by Watson Jones, 10.

Clayton Worlds outpointed Colion Chaney, 10. Big Boy Baker outpointed Dick Tracy, 10. Tracy outpointed Jimmy Liscomb, 8. Frank Poreda outpointed Speedy Williams, 8. Jimmy Brown knocked out Ken Johnson, 1.

Ernie Rios drew with Charley Johnson, 8. Nolan Sharp knocked out Roberto Ramirez, 3.

Lee Oma knocked out Jackie Saunders, 6. Saunders lost to Jimmy Gardner, 6. Oma knocked out Prentiss Hall, 5. Tommy Gomez knocked out Johnny Denson, 7. Roy Evans outpointed Tiger Henning, 8.

Jersey Joe Wolcott knocked out Curtis Sheppard, 10. John Thomas outpointed Billy Grant, 8.

Paul Jackson outpointed Frank Lombardo, 6; lost to Doug Ellison, 6. Bill Weinberg knocked out Jimmy Crawford, 4; knocked out Johnny Davis, 2. Yancey Henry knocked out Davis, 2. Art Gregory knocked out Johnny Kinsler, 3. Kinsler outpointed Ernie Petretti, 4. Gregory knocked out by Armond Olvano, 4. Kinsler outpointed Hugh Walker, 4.

Joe Matisi knocked out Jimmy Davenport, 1; knocked out Buddy Patton, 2. Johnny Allen outpointed Dixie Oliver, 8. Arthur (Red) Jeter knocked out Johnny Graham, 3. Jeter lost to Doc Gladden, 4. Mike Settino outpointed Jimmy Davenport, 6.

John Pretzie knocked out Cliff Mann, 3. John Hubbard outpointed Hank Postaway, 6; knocked out Lonnie Durrah, 4; outpointed Hubert Hood, 8; knocked out Bill McClure, 2. Joe Yorfino knocked out Bingy Caruso, 1. Bobby Tiny Lee knocked out Johnny Ebarb, 4.

Baldy Duke knocked out Casey O'Hara, 3. Tony Festa knocked out John L. Sullivan, 1. Bob Threet knocked out Duval Bryant, 1.

Johnny Melko outpointed Jimmy Bell, 6. Bell outpointed Joe Baksi, 10. Melko lost to Sam Shumway, 6. Melko knocked out Walter Scott, 2. Bell knocked out Sam Shumway, 1.

Henry Jones outpointed Lou Clark, 6. Clark knocked out Nat Hines, 4. Hines lost to Billy Eck, 8. Hines knocked out by Jackie Wilkerson, 2. Frank Lombardo drew with Marvin Baker, 4. Baker drew with Frank Lombardo, 4. Baker outpointed Eddie Keller, 4. Noel Reid knocked out Al Cobbs, 3. Reid knocked out Frankie Tataia, 2.

Jerry Barrett knocked out Zeke Brown, 2; knocked out Zeke Brown, 3. Harry Berntsen knocked out Al Glassman, 5. Mike Flaherty knocked out Bob Bowyer, 3. Tony Martin outpointed Elliott Beckman, 4. Martin drew with George Edwards, 4.

Jackie Cranford knocked out Dan Biggers, 2. Tony Gillo outpointed Baby Ace Clark, 6. Joe Fasta knocked out Carl White, 1. White knocked out by Frank Catola, 1.

Elmer Holt drew with Bob Begley, 4; lost to Bob Begley, 4. Gus Schlee outpointed Bearcat Jones, 6. Jim Schwimmer knocked out Louis Galahad, 3. Jimmy Bettina outpointed Jimmy Polk, 6. Gus Mullner knocked out Jimmy Brown, 3; knocked out Charlie Roth, 4.

Jimmy Howard knocked out Dan Young, 1. Jack Chapman outpointed Smoky Jones, 4.

Willie Thomas knocked out Ray Winbush, 1. George James knocked out Jose Ricol, 2. Henry Burak knocked out Jackie Davis, 3. Erle Adkinson outpointed Ted Morrison, 8. Jerry McSwain knocked out Sam Maltempo, 6. Sonny Boy Taylor knocked out Jim Shane, 1. Clarence Jones outpointed Frank Thomas, 6.

Light-heavyweights fared as follows:

George Kochan knocked out Reedy Evans, 5. Archie Moore knocked out Holman Williams, 11.

Jack Marr outpointed Art Gallagher, 12. Doug Brown outpointed Billy Meyers, 12. Billy Smith knocked out Buddy Millard, 8. Len Bennett outpointed Ernie Woodman, 8.

Phil Muscato outpointed Willie Barrow, 10. Muscato knocked out Mickey Hayes, 4. Ross Strickland outpointed Johnny Finazzo, 10. Ralph DeJohn outpointed Dave Mason, 6.

Billy Eck outpointed Nat Hines, 8. Billy Fox knocked out Leon Szymurski, 2. Oscar Goode knocked out Jimmy Smith, 7. Goode lost to Al Johnson, 8.

Mack Parshay outpointed Young Johnson, 6; outpointed Bob Garner, 10. Clent Conway knocked

out Jimmy O'Brien, 2. Jimmy Holden knocked out George Segura, 2.

Johnny Eagle outpointed Charlie McPherson, 6. McPherson lost to Dom Youvella, 6. Leroy Scales outpointed Young Mitchell, 5; outpointed Tony Martin, 8. Mel Workman knocked out Jimmy Wilson, 2; knocked out Bob West, 3. Harold Christensen knocked out Joe Robinson, 3.

Don Garner knocked out Albin Buczek, 4. Larry Watson knocked out Ted Morrison, 3. Watson knocked out Jimmy Merritt, 1. Watson knocked out Roy McQueen, 1. Pal Silvers knocked out Big Ben Russ, 3; knocked out Frank Rose, 1.

Lonny Boyd knocked out Kid Neal, 1. Ross Pippett knocked out Danny Ryan, 5. Leroy Fleming knocked out North Carolina Kid, 3. Tee Hubert knocked out Art Thomas, 4.

Booker Robinson knocked out Doc Bee, 4. Robinson lost to Joe O'Connell, 6. Jimmy Long knocked out Kid Curtis, 2; knocked out by Jimmy Smith, 3. Lonnie Durrah knocked out Bobby Dare, 4. Dare knocked out Jack Harding, 2. Harry Wills outpointed Al Timmons, 6. Wills outpointed Henry Ridge, 4. Timmons knocked out Dave Butler, 5.

Allen Arnett outpointed Titus Hawkins, 6. Francis Ogg outpointed Art Taylor, 6. Charles Moorman outpointed Ray Acosta, 4.

Al Panaca knocked out Freddie Salensky, 1; knocked out Jimmy Thomas, 3; lost to Stanley Edwards, 4. Tommy Sullivan knocked out Mike Gagnon, 1; knocked out Ace Clark, 2. Gagnon lost to Tony Shumway, 6. Willie Davis outpointed Emile Williams, 6; outpointed Charlie Jones, 6. Bob Amos knocked out Billy Mitchell, 1.

Davey Feld knocked out by Billy Thompson, 4. Douglas Rhone knocked out Billy Gaylord, 3. Rhone knocked out by John Henry Eskew, 5. Rhone knocked out Jimmy DeCiantis, 1. Joe St. Peter knocked out George Segura, 2.

Jack Hill knocked out Art Saxwell, 5. Bob Satterfield knocked out Collins Brown, 1; knocked out Bob Garner, 2. Benny Bartle knocked out Freddie Bailey, 3. Eddie Turner knocked out Armand Sampson, 2; drew with Peter Jackson, 4.

Middleweight contests resulted as follows:

Jake LaMotta knocked out Walter Woods, 8; knocked out Charley Parham, 6. Jack Chase outpointed Kenny Watkins, 10. Steve Belloise knocked out Billy Johnson, 4; knocked out Irish Johnny Smith, 2.

Marcel Cerdan knocked out Assane Diouf, 3, to win middleweight title of France. Speedy Cannon knocked out Glenn Northcutt, 10. Al Priest outpointed Billy Furrone, 10. Johnny Brown outpointed Ossie Harris, 10.

George Kochan knocked out Reedy Evans, 5. Evans knocked out by Saint Paul, 5. Tony Elizonda knocked out Johnny Riley, 1. Elizonda knocked out by Paul Altman, 2.

Izzy Jannazzo outpointed Frankie Abrams, 10. Paulie Peters and Chester Slider drew, 10. George "Sonny" Horne outpointed Larry Fontana, 8. Horne outpointed Artie Levine, 10. Fontana outpointed Danny Martin, 6.

George Elliott knocked out Lou Williams, 8; outpointed Tommy Colteaux, 10. Coley Welch outpointed Jerry Fiorello, 10; knocked out Jay Paganelli, 2. George Henry outpointed Joe Reddick, 10. Reddick knocked out by Jimmy Edgar, 9.

Gilbert Whiteside drew with Roman Starr, 8. Starr knocked out by Roy Miller, 4. Marine Rice drew with Bob Peters, 12. Dave Sands knocked out Mac Cameron, 11. Joe Upton outpointed Ron Porter, 6. Upton outpointed Sapper Woods, 8. Lou Woods outpointed Johnny Lawer, 10.

Danny Martin outpointed Tommy Roman, 10; outpointed Solly Zalter, 8. Albert Finch knocked out Cyril Johnson, 2. Finch outpointed Jimmy Hockley, 6. Joey Smithers knocked out Red Bryant, 7; outpointed Baby Sanchez, 10.

Walter Duval outpointed Berlie Lanier, 8. O'Neill Bell knocked out George Costner, 7. Joe Governale outpointed Billy Walker, 8. Walker outpointed Augie Fleischauer, 6. Governale outpointed Freddie Flores, 8.

Bennie Droll drew with Dave Clark, 10. Droll drew with Luther Brent, 6. Freddie Flores knocked out Joe (Butch) Lynch, 2. Arthur Hardy knocked out Louis Flyer, 8. Mark Lockman outpointed Johnny Finazzo, 10.

Indian Gomez drew with J. C. Wilkins, 8. Albert Finch outpointed Jack Lewis, 6. Cpl. Tommy Jones outpointed Jim Lydon, 6. Mark Hart outpointed Johnny Clements, 8. Jimmy Hockley lost to Harry Watson, 6.

Willard Buckless outpointed Jimmy Pettie, 8. Pettie outpointed by Art Tatta, 6. Tatta outpointed Jimmy Davis, 6. Pettie lost to Frankie Ross, 6. Augie Fleischauer outpointed Hugh Murphy, 6. Murphy lost to Clem Fitzpatrick, 6.

Jay Paganelli outpointed Johnny Harvey, 6; outpointed Baudelio Valencia, 6. Sam Thompson outpointed Marty Doyle, 6. Bob Flannigan knocked out Frank Fosdick, 2; knocked out Mickey Colton, 2; outpointed Maurice Cloutier, 6; outpointed Buddy Brown; knocked out Roger Toothacker, 1; knocked out Mickey Colton, 2.

Kid Lester knocked out Leonard Johnson, 3. George Small knocked out Randy Drew, 1. Lew Perez outpointed Caesar Ferro, 6; outpointed Baudelio Valencia, 6; lost to Jimmy Davis, 6; knocked out by Allen Faulkner, 1. Solly Zalter outpointed Jimmy Davis, 6; knocked out Freddie Lott, 4.

Johnny Smith outpointed Baudelio Valencia, 6. Smith lost to Frank Savoy, 6. Eddie Mahoney drew with Bobby Jones, 4. Mahoney outpointed Bobby Jones, 4. Vepe Watson outpointed Tony Petro, 4. Petro knocked out Art Robinson, 2. Watson knocked out Chris Clark, 1.

Mickey Savage knocked out John Holewski, 2; knocked out Norman Herbert, 1; knocked out Joe Jackson, 3. Mickey Colton knocked out Walter Scott, 1. Joey Hartfield outpointed Buzz Brown, 6. Hartfield drew with Jerry Hayes, 6. Carman DeJohn knocked out Leo Dundee, 1. DeJohn knocked out Teddy Brown, 2. DeJohn knocked out Russ Baxter, 3. Brown knocked out by Melvin Hawkins, 2.

Eddie Mosette outpointed Fugio Escabedo, 4. Art Lind drew with Bobby Silva, 6. Silva drew with Alex Vega, 4. Bob Franklyn outpointed Pat Smith, 4. Franklyn knocked out by Aster Rice, 2.

Panther Red outpointed Paul Blanks, 6; knocked out Young Arnold, 2; lost to Henry Hall, 8. Chief Crazy Horse drew with Joe Flores, 4. Chief Crazy Horse knocked out by Eugene Brown, 3. Flores knocked out by Johnny Tabbs, 1. Crazy Horse knocked out by Billy Heath, 6.

Vince Gamble knocked out Jess Johnson, 1. Charley Sardo outpointed Gene Boulden, 6. Cyril Gettens knocked out Frank Cerna, 3. Cerna knocked out by Art Robinson, 9. Cerna knocked out by Art Robinson, 10. Robinson knocked out Oliver Cobbins, 4. Gettens lost to Bobby Brown, 2.

Joe Robinson lost to Benny Davis, 4. Robinson lost to Harry Gary, 4. Davis lost to Johnny Anderson, 6. Gary knocked out by Lou Angelo, 7. Buster Peaks knocked out Bobby Jones, 3; lost to Jimmy Simmons, 6. Lou Angelo decisioned Willis Scott, 6. Scott lost to Henry Johnson, 6. Angelo outpointed by Lou Valles, 6. Tony Petro drew with Bill Peterson, 4. Peterson drew with Bruce Wayne, 4.

Willie Watkins knocked out Babe Armstrong, 2. Watkins outpointed Gene Boland, 6. Bert Dowdell knocked out John Burton, 4; outpointed Bill Harding, 4. Rudy Turner knocked out Mickey Hearne, 2; outpointed Bob Hawkins, 6; outpointed Nate Gibson, 4.

Nate Smith outpointed Bobby Burton, 6. Burton knocked out by Billy Garrett, 2. Tommy Green outpointed Larry Huff, 4. Mel Mitchell outpointed Dick Hamshire, 4. Cooper White knocked out Billy Hardaway, 2. Hardaway knocked out by Basil Mazerak, 2. White knocked out by Jimmy DeCiantis, 1. Hardaway lost to Young Cocoa, 4.

Walker Coombs knocked out Tommy Baker, 1. Baker knocked out by Al Deacon, 1. Baker knocked out by Pat Moynahan, 1. Coombs lost to Pep McNine, 4. Charlie Jones won disqualification from Dave Carver, 6. Jones knocked out Lou Jones, 5. Willie Moore knocked out Aron Williams, 2; knocked out Peter Jackson, 4; drew with Curtis Filer, 5.

Ruby Roberts outpointed George Damianov, 6. Roberts lost to Charley Sulic, 6. Anthony Ahern knocked out Dick Ferrante, 1. Willie Davis drew with Sammy Crandle, 6. Nick Melnick knocked out Jess Johnson, 1.

Charlie Chaney outpointed Jackie Williams, 4; knocked out Earl Lumpkin, 2. Williams knocked out by Charley Marshall, 2. Frank Kovacs knocked out Leroy Moungle, 2; outpointed Hugh Stell, 4.

Chicken Gaines outpointed Harry Wright, 6. Billy Hildebrand outpointed Hugh Murphy, 6; outpointed Jim Kennedy, 4; drew with Baudelio Valencia, 6. Mike Amico lost to Charley Howard, 4.

Mickey Doyle knocked out Carl Janke, 2; outpointed Freddie Graham, 6. Jimmy Mooney knocked out Maurice Cloutier, 1; knocked out Al Hallie, 1; knocked out Dolly King, 2. King knocked out by Oscar St. Pierre, 6; knocked out Benny Delgado, 4.

Stanley Derr knocked out George Slater, 2. Slater knocked out by Ted Turner, 6. Turner knocked out Pancho Seguera, 1. Howard Brodt outpointed Maurice Lavigne, 6. Jimmy Richards knocked out Henry Rich, 2. Rich knocked out Jackie Cooper, 1. Rich knocked out Billy Cordova, 1. Cordova knocked out Leon Davis, 1.

Frank Smith drew with Hudson Bey, 4. Willie Brown outpointed Jimmy Simmons, 4. Johnny Meyer outpointed Ozzie Lewis, 4. Al Galgut outpointed Jimmy Wilson, 6; knocked out Jimmy Bettina, 4. James Adell knocked out Dave Griffin, 3.

Eddie Finazzo outpointed Cliff Beckett, 8; outpointed Jules Woods, 6. Jimmy McDonough knocked out Freddie Graham, 6; outpointed Ralph Dougherty, 6. Paul Collicci outpointed Leo Gagne, 6; knocked out Leo Gagne, 1.

Johnny Finney knocked out Leonard Pate, 5. Johnny Ditto drew with Al Spalding, 6.

Sam Barodi and Lee Black, no contest, 3. Barodi outpointed Clarence Wilkinson, 4. Charley McPherson outpointed Harry Gary, 4. Jimmy King knocked out Carl Holden, 2.

Jimmy Mandell outpointed Freddie Wilson, 6. Wilson outpointed Nelson Hazkins, 6. Carl Olson knocked out Art Robinson, 4. Charley Padalino knocked out Bob Millsap, 4; knocked out Arthur Hardy, 2. Ken Thomas outpointed Joe Bonomo, 4.

Bob Ryan outpointed Jimmy Collins, 4. Collins knocked out Cliff Garden, 4. Chuck Moore knocked out Frank Robinson, 2. Charlie Young knocked out Jimmy Mitchell, 3; knocked out Melvin Sentine, 3. Tony Brush knocked out Howard Umbels, 2.

Homer McGrew knocked out Kent Roberts, 1. Tommy Merrill drew with Teddy O'Dell, 4. Merrill knocked out King Kong Walker, 3. Ulysses Johnson knocked out Harold Thomas, 2.

Freddy Sammons outpointed Sam Justina, 6. Dickie Bird knocked out by Les Aterbridge, 3. Billy Hagen knocked out Jack Collins, 1. Freddie Fields knocked out Jackson Clark, 2.

Paul Darby knocked out Eddie Robinson, 3; knocked out Ernie Stevenson, 4. Oscar Boyd outpointed Dan Kinsey, 6. Bobby Berger and Whalen Douglas, no contest, 6. Ray Birkett knocked out Chico Romez, 1. Ramey McKnight knocked out Paul Nelson, 1. Richard Blackman knocked out George Godfrey, 2. Joe Evans knocked out Carl McFadden, 3. Ugo Bonacci knocked out Eddie McGhee, 3. Charlie McPherson knocked out Dom Youvella, 3. Don Anderson outpointed Benny Davis, 6.

Contests with welterweights:

Laurie Stevens outpointed Alf James, 12. Hankin Barrows outpointed Babe Coullimber, 10. Barrows knocked out by Joe Legon, 10. Tippy Larkin outpointed Nick Moran, 10. Moran outpointed Bobby Yaeger, 10.

Jimmy Doyle knocked out Lew Jenkins, 4. Memo Llanes outpointed Bobby Yaeger, 10. Sugar Ray Robinson outpointed Vic Dellicurti, 10.

Flashy Bastian knocked out Tommy Campbell, 4. Jimmy McDaniels outpointed Johnny Ryan, 10. Aaron Perry drew with Tony Riccio, 10. Perry knocked out Vincent LaSalva, 3. Riccio lost to Vinnie Rossano, 8. Arthur Danahar lost to Omar Kouidri, 8. Frank Naro outpointed Charlie Smith, 8. Billy Stevens outpointed Jimmy Moore, 10.

Jack Samuels outpointed Johnny Gregg, 12. Morris Reif knocked out Vic Costa, 1. Costa outpointed Henry Jordan, 10. Billy Marsden lost to Jimmy Fraser, 10. Tommy Burns outpointed Vic Caltuax, 12. Kev McCarthy outpointed Wally Burns, 10. Jimmy Dundee outpointed Clem Sands, 12. Fraser won on foul from Fred Manuel, 1.

Louis Rousse outpointed Tony Marteliano, 8; outpointed Johnny Ryan, 8. Billy Arnold outpointed Ralph Zannelli, 10. Frank Naro outpointed Peter Brown, 10. Henry Hall knocked out Johnny Pitt, 3. Hall knocked out Gwynn Williams, 6. Hall outpointed George Odwell, 8. Tommy Egan outpointed Rocky Luciano, 10.

Don Lee outpointed Billy Deeg, 10. Johnny Forte outpointed Benny Singleton, 10. Singleton knocked out Willard Buckless, 5. Neva Esparza outpointed Charley Davis, 10.

Bobby Lakin outpointed Lige Drew, 10. Danny Kapilow knocked out Gene Burton, 1. Kapilow lost to Sammy Angott, 10. Joe Curcio knocked out Benny Singleton, 9. Bill Parsons outpointed Harvey Dubs, 10.

Lenny (Boom-Boom) Mancini outpointed Steve Riggio, 8. Sammy Adragna outpointed Chuck Taylor, 8. Jimmy Sherrer outpointed Johnny Green, 10. Manuel Villa outpointed Lupe Gonzales, 10. Wallace Bates outpointed Darnell Carter, 10. Elizo Villanueva outpointed Santos Quijano, 10.

Bob Simmons outpointed Billy Grier, 10. Tommy Bell knocked out Ellis Stewart, 9. Barry Payne outpointed Nick Farley, 5. Farley knocked out by Jonathan Kennedy, 4. Joe Torres knocked out Buddy Rose, 6. Torres lost to Sammy Mammone, 10. Vic Feeny outpointed Red Bryant, 8.

Jamaica Harold Smith drew with Sidney Miller, 8. Smith knocked out by Danni Williams, 1. Jimmy Mills outpointed Rudy Campa, 8. Campa knocked out Johnny Haiki, 4. Dave Riley knocked out Johnny O'Hara, 1.

Johnny Ricco outpointed Charlie Sabatelle, 10. Pat Giordano outpointed Freddie Archer, 10. Cecil Hudson knocked out George "Red" Doty, 3. Doty knocked out by Maxie Berger, 7. Hudson outpointed Fritzie Zivic, 10.

Bobby Zollo knocked out Billy Connerty, 3. Zollo outpointed Rudy Campa, 10. Charley Fusari knocked out Pat Demers, 3; outpointed Jose Peralta, 8. Art Towne outpointed Joey Haddad, 8.

Earl Turner outpointed Paul Lewis, 10. Turner knocked out by Frankie Augustain, 6. Patsy Gall outpointed Mickey Balletiere, 8. Mayhew Smith outpointed Whalen Douglas, 8. Smith knocked out by Smuggy Hursey, 4. Douglas lost to Doug Radford, 4.

Billy McCarthy knocked out Seamon Heaton, 7. Frank Boylan knocked out by George Dilks, 4. Jack Marino outpointed Jimmy Bryan, 8. Jimmy Molloy knocked out John Ingle, 3. Ginger Waters knocked out Harry Silver, 4. Jimmy Davis knocked out Pat Cubiss, 4. Joe Mallin knocked out by Reg Hoblyn, 3.

Torpedo Reed outpointed Joe Polowitzer, 8. Reed lost to Rudy Campa, 10. Alberto Nunez knocked out Evangelio Valiente, 2. Roger Muriel outpointed Billy Ellison, 4. Eddie Kane outpointed William (Flattop) Cummings, 8; lost to Georgie Williams, 8.

Ray Miller outpointed Young Chocolate, 6; outpointed Billy Ray, 6. Miller lost to Bobby Lalonde, 4. Lalonde outpointed Rudy Zidell, 6. Harry Preston outpointed Frankie Daniels, 6; lost to Lou Fortuna, 6. Milton Lattimore outpointed Carl Holden, 4; outpointed Arthur Diggs, 4. Doug Ratford outpointed Wendy Wilson, 6. Wilson outpointed Annunzio Ferrera, 6.

Roger Whynott outpointed Charley Hilton, 4. Whynott lost to Willie Odom, 6. Hilton drew with Sam Corti, 6. Odom outpointed Bobby Pryor, 6. Pryor knocked out Julie Cross, 1. Pryor knocked out Al Franklin, 2. Cross knocked knocked out Tony Marchand, 4. Hilton lost to Ottie Graham, 6. Al Rivers knocked out Young Corbett IV, 3. Rivers knocked out by Billy Mayfield, 4. Catfish Bourgeois outpointed Harold

Alle, 4. Al Franklin outpointed Hugh Stell, 6; drew with Jimmy King, 6.

Martin Collura outpointed Pete Ferrand, 4; outpointed Pete Ferrand, 6; outpointed Johnny Ortega, 4. Collura outpointed Al Jackson, 5. Ferrand knocked out Luke Alfano, 2. Jimmy Hunt drew with Tommy James, 5. Hunt knocked out by Robert Fowler, 6. Fowler knocked out by Willie Russell, 2.

Jimmy Scouten outpointed Ike Cunningham, 4. Cunningham knocked out Bob Franklyn, 1. Aster Rice outpointed Roy Kelly, 4. Rice knocked out Bob Franklyn, 2. Kelly knocked out Glen Massey, 3. Charley Howard knocked out Frank Pucerilli, 1. Howard lost to Nick Melli, 4. Bobby Collins outpointed Johnny Abbott, 6; knocked out Alex Doyle, 2.

Baby Boniface outpointed Paul Lassiter, 4. Nat Hutchins outpointed Fritz Moore, 4; lost to Al Baltieri, 4. Baltieri knocked out Miguel Arroya, 1. Baltieri knocked out Nat Hutchins, 1. Baltieri outpointed Jimmy Rogers, 4. Arroya outpointed Jerry Ileimowitz, 4. Arthur Ross outpointed Young Tiger Flowers, 4. Pat Murray outpointed Tony Ryles, 6; knocked out Charley Howard, 5.

Al Costantino outpointed Buddy Jackson, 6; knocked out Tony Ryles, 2. Jackson outpointed Jim Kennedy, 6. Jackson knocked out by Freddie Camuso, 3. Kennedy lost to Ralf Griffin, 6. Costantino knocked out Tony Ryles, 3. Camuso knocked out by Marty Servo, 5. George Hill knocked out Johnny Tommey, 3. Art Brown knocked out Emmett Harris, 2.

Art Bethea outpointed Eddie Davis, 4; outpointed Eddie Davis, 4. Bob Boucher knocked out Jimmy Parks, 1. Parks kayoed by Johnny Rinaldi, 1. Boucher and Charley Howard drew, 4. Rinaldi lost to Bobby Cummings, 6. Boucher knocked out Nat Hutchins, 3. Cummings lost to Lou Valles, 8. Valles outpointed Lou Angelo, 6.

Gary (Redcap) Cooper knocked out Chick Jones, 4. Jones knocked out by Roland Gomes, 4. Cooper knocked out by Eddie LeTourneau, 3. Cooper drew with Paul O'Hara, 6. Jones knocked out by Jimmy Troy, 2. Troy knocked out John Bartelino, 3. Cooper knocked out Tommy Colton, 5.

Roland Gomes knocked out by Sal Lupo, 3. Lupo knocked out by Johnny Parker, 2. Gomes outpointed Tommy Baker, 4. Gomes lost to Johnny DeMao, 6. Parker knocked out Chick Jones, 2. Parker knocked out by Tim Renick, 2. Lupo knocked out by Jimmy Mooney, 2. Lupo knocked out by Billy Hoppes, 3. Al Seidman knocked out Del Bryant, 5. Mickey Nelson outpointed Al Powell, 4.

Joey Murphy knocked out Jimmy Stewart, 1; knocked out Sammy Jetson, 2. Bill Mims outpointed Joey Falco, 6. Falco outpointed Buster Hardy, 8. Bobby Winters outpointed McCoy Jones, 6. Jones knocked out by Charlie Howley, 3. Winters lost to Billy Goodman, 6. Howley lost to Johnny Yellavich, 6.

Bruce Miller outpointed Joe Johnson, 6. Harry Vigeant knocked out Eddie Reardon, 2; outpointed Ray Laurie, 4; outpointed Ray Laurie, 6. Al Hallie knocked out Jimmy Kelley, 2; knocked out Jimmy Kelley, 2. Alvin Howell outpointed Pat Kelly, 4.

Carl Janke outpointed Jerry Pittro, 5. Janke lost to Pete Leno, 6. Pittro knocked out Pete Leno, 3. Pittro knocked out Tiger Gibson, 1. Janke lost to Al Jackson, 5. Pittro lost to Danny McMillan, 10. Charlie Finley outpointed Lee Abrams, 6. Lee Abrams outpointed Gabbie Poulin, 6. Finley and Gus Vargo, no contest, 2. Gus Vargo outpointed Ray Laurie, 4. Vargo drew with Freddie Polowitzer, 6.

George Smith outpointed Ernie Butler, 4. Butler outpointed Johnny King, 4. Smith outpointed Tommy Daniels, 4. Frankie Keith outpointed Solly Aaron, 4. Tony Vero knocked out Johnny Caruso, 6; knocked out Jackie Connors, 2. Vero knocked out Solomon Stewart, 7.

Joe Lucignano knocked out Al Franklin, 2; knocked out Miguel Arroya, 2; outpointed Charley Howard, 4. Al Silverman knocked out Jimmy Saunders, 3; knocked out Jim Wynn, 5. Frankie Les knocked out Jesse Long.

Gene Gudgill outpointed Jack Hills, 5. Pedro Flores knocked out George Sparry. Flores knocked out by Henry Sheppard, 2. Eddie Durando outpointed Red Rossi, 4. Rossi outpointed Joe Krolji, 4. Rossi lost to Harold Borsky, 4. Babe Armstrong knocked out Mickey Wilson, 1.

John Cason knocked out Harold Bowen, 1. Johnny Johnson outpointed Billy Tordiglione, 6. Joe LaMotta knocked out Johnny Jones, 5; outpointed Art Brown, 10.

Vic Carter knocked out Red McDonough, 2. McDonough knocked out by Al Michaud, 2. Michaud outpointed Bob Pooler, 6.

Dick Mesa knocked out Joe Valdez, 3. Rudy Cruz knocked out Oliver Hamm, 2. Eddie Anderson knocked out Art Sheppard.

Jack Santo knocked out Billy Mitchell, 2. Earl Nore knocked out Mike Villanova, 2. Vic Caida outpointed Rocky Sullivan, 4.

Joe Keyes knocked out Tommy Sloan, 4; outpointed Annunzio Ferrera, 8; knocked out Walter Stanbach, 5; outpointed Willie Odom, 6. Pat Donahue knocked out Tony Giovanni, 2.

Ernie Guisti knocked out Jimmy Cagni, 1; knocked out Sammy Mammone, 4; outpointed Steve Bellus, 8. Bee Zee Washington knocked out Walter Simmons, 1. Joey Albanese knocked out Tom Collins, 6; outpointed Johnny Johnson, 6.

Melvin Wade knocked out Kid Grant, 2; outpointed Frankie Les, 4. Eddie Kane outpointed William Cummings, 8. Maurice Lavigne knocked out Jimmy Martin, 2. Lavigne lost to Howard Brodt, 6. Lavigne outpointed Leon Kennedy, 6. Lavigne lost to Artie Tedesco, 6.

Mickey O'Brien knocked out Al Wooster, 5; lost to Eddie LaTourneau, 10. Pete Marcello knocked out Cliff Turner, 1. Speedy Baker knocked out Charlie Zebe, 2.

Booker Robinson outpointed Jimmy Long, 6. Doc Bee knocked out Jim Scott, 1. Lew Phillips knocked out Mickey Patrick, 2. Patrick knocked out Buddy Dorsey, 3.

Milt Varsos knocked out Al Jackson, 5. Young Maxwell outpointed Frank Roberts, 4. Joe Brillo knocked out Don Laird, 1. Al Botano outpointed Jimmy Allen, 6.

Bobby Lee knocked out Edgar Poe, 4. George Smith outpointed Freddie Patterson, 6. Fugio Escabedo knocked out Ozzie Lewis, 4. Billy Lee knocked out Bob Munoz, 2. Daly Curtis knocked out Billy Fisher, 2. Fisher knocked out by Marty Bell, 1.

Results of lightweight bouts follow:

Jean Barriere outpointed Tony Oshiro, 10; knocked out by Johnny Gaudes, 2. Clarence King outpointed Tommy Mills, 10. King lost to Billy Moore, 10. Willie Cheatum knocked out Pat Patucci, 5.

Melvin Bartholomew knocked out Melvin Sentine, 8. Richie Shinn outpointed Shamus McCrea, 6. Shinn outpointed Walter Cabey (Korean) Lewis, 6. Lewis lost to Jesse Flores, 10.

Bill Eddy outpointed Gene Spencer, 10. Julie Kogon outpointed Pat Doyle, 10. Kogon lost to Pat Demers, 10. Doyle knocked out by Joe Celetti, 6. Johnny Priest drew with Pedro Carvelho, 8. Carvelho lost to Al Smith, 8. Dave Andrews outpointed Jimmy Stewart, 8. Andrews outpointed Bobby Armstrong, 8. Andrews lost to Jetson Arnold, 6. Joey Gatto outpointed Benny May, 8.

Jimmy Hill outpointed Denny O'Dea, 10. Joe Hall outpointed Joe Grant, 12. Ted Wainwright outpointed Billy Brown, 10. Brown knocked out Ernie Juno, 6. Wainwright lost to Billy Stevens, 10. Stevens knocked out by Charlie Ashenden, 5. Billy Hannell knocked out Jack Turner, 7.

Kid Young knocked out Paddy Slavin, 10. Reg. Tozer outpointed Mickey Tollis, 12. Fidel Rivera outpointed Al Valez, 8. Johnny Cool outpointed Steve Bellus, 19.

Bob Ramsey outpointed Tommy Foxall, 8. Dave Crowley outpointed Jimmy Smith, 8. Billy Taylor lost to Harry Hughes, 6. Steve Kronis and Floriant Desmarais drew, 10. Hubert Samuels outpointed Joe Amico, 8. Jesse Flores knocked out Henry Lamore, 1.

Hal Cartwright lost to Warren Kendall, 8. Billy Thompson outpointed Billy Cunningham, 6. Billy Biddles knocked out Lionel Creber, 3. Tiger Denton drew with Jimmy Lewis, 6. Kendall won foul from Johnny Ward, 4. Pat Foley knocked out Frankie Rubino, 2. Mike Konnors outpointed Benny Daniels, 10; outpointed Charley Noel, 8. Melvin Johnson outpointed Alejandro Vega, 10.

Gus Mell outpointed Paulie Jackson, 10. Jose Peralta outpointed Ralph Walton, 10. Frankie Leta outpointed Harold Valon, 9; outpointed Clint Miller, 8. Tony Pellone outpointed Patsy Giovanelli, 10. Freddie Dawson outpointed Eddie Hudson, 10.

Maxie Shapiro knocked out Eddie Dowl, 8. Tommy Rotolo outpointed George (Dusty) Brown, 10. Cliff Jones outpointed Jim Smith, 4; outpointed Bobby Clarke, 4. Fred Corten knocked out Johnny Shields, 10. Ron Heron knocked out by Ray Dunn, 9. Heron knocked out by Norm Gent, 11. Sle Hamilton outpointed Al Moran, 10. Jack Bridges outpointed Jack Stewart, 10. Bill Foley outpointed Wally Pritcher, 8. Joe Webster outpointed P. O. Scott, 8. Dave Landers outpointed Charlie Thompson, 10. Dave Castilloux outpointed Juste Fontaine, 10. Leon Spencer outpointed The Chocolate Kid, 8.

Kid Gavilan outpointed Johnny Suarez, 10; outpointed Carlos Malacara, 10. Ike Williams and Wesley Mouzon drew, 10. Julio Cesar Jimenez knocked out Leonardo Lopez, 6.

Nick Camarata outpointed Tony Rios, 10. Chester Rico outpointed Dom Amoroso, 10. Amoroso outpointed by Baby Al Brown, 8. Bobby Ruffin and Willie Calhoun, no contest, 5. Ruffin knocked out Santa Bucca, 8.

Don Cameron outpointed Tommy Miller, 10. Willie Joyce outpointed Joey Barnum, 10. Harry Hughes outpointed Neil McCairn, 10.

Herbert Williams outpointed Melvin Bartholomew, 10; knocked out by Candy McDaniels, 3. Norman "Hi Ho" Silver outpointed Pat O'Reilly, 8; knocked out Marcel Fournier, 5. Enrique Bolanos outpointed Harry Jeffra, 10; outpointed Frankie Moore, 10. Baby Pacho drew with Joe Alvarez, 6. Santiago Sosa outpointed Joe Calixto, 10. Kid Barquerito outpointed Filio Prado, 10.

Eddie Germaine knocked out Herbie White, 4; outpointed Bob Gunther, 6. Joe Gillis outpointed Billy Zaduck, 6. Gillis lost to Zaduck, 6. Zaduck knocked out Freddie Gilbo, 1. Zaduck knocked out by Archie Gibbons. Gillis lost to Jimmy Pettie, 6. Gibbons knocked out George Nadeau, 1.

Charley Smith outpointed Ruby Garcia, 6; knocked out Sammy Mammone, 2. Mammone lost to Frankie Gromada, 8. Smith outpointed Ruby Garcia, 8. Buddy Gleason knocked out George Cannon, 1. Gleason knocked out by Johnny Woods, 1.

Joe Burnett outpointed Leslie Moore, 4. Paul LeCroix knocked out Walter Gomes, 1; knocked out Tommy Colton, 2. Pat Franco knocked out Otis Mason, 2. Leon Evans knocked out Ed Martin, 1; outpointed Joe Chapman, 4.

James Stevens knocked out Gene Daugherty, 1. Ernie Butler outpointed Charley Howard, 4. Johnny Parvia knocked out Vernie Laro, 3. Parvia knocked out by Joe Carey, 4; drew with Tommy Sheldon, 4. Willie Duggan outpointed Danny Ruggero, 4. Ruggero drew with Jerry Mazza, 4. Parvia knocked out by Jimmy Gagnon, 4. Johnny Parvia knocked out by Roland Gomes, 3. Rocky Schiavone knocked out Frank Salvino, 3. Parvia outpointed Roland Gomes, 4. Schiavone knocked out Parvia, 1. Parvia knocked out by Ernie Butler, 1.

Jimmy Ainscough knocked out Billy Shelton, 6. John Chapman knocked out Carl Olsen, 3; knocked out Billy Shelton, 5; knocked out Babe Orlando, 1; knocked out Joe Perez, 3. Olsen outpointed Pat Smith, 4. Roscoe Scally knocked out Juan Zapata, 4. Babe Picazo knocked out Lloyd Wagoner, 1; knocked out Billy Carlisle, 1. Picazo knocked out Teddy Guerrero, 1. Wagoner outpointed Bobby Irish, 4. Irish lost to Bobby Wyman, 4.

Butch (Les) Charles knocked out Leo Sarinelli, 3; drew with Archie Stock, 6. Stock knocked out Morris Elliott, 1. George Martin outpointed Jimmy Esposito, 4. Joe Marmo knocked out Dave Anderson, 3; knocked out Carlton Aska, 2; knocked out Eddie Timblake, 1. Tommy Daniels knocked out Bobby Gunther, 1. Daniels knocked out by Johnny Cesario, 6. Cesario knocked out Tommy Daniels, 4. Billy Banks knocked out Bernie Cady, 2.

Bob Pooler outpointed Mickey O'Brien, 6. Johnny Campbell outpointed Eddie Berry, 6; knocked out Charley Wooster, 4; knocked out Bill Bernier, 2.

John Bell outpointed Ron Cashman, 5. Cashman outpointed Carey Mace, 5. Bell drew with Ron Cashman, 5. Ellsworth Simley drew with Joey Wasnick, 6; Simley knocked out by Tony Ferrara, 3. Simley kncked out Fran Mazzone, 1. Simley lost to Tito Vallis, 4. Simley outpointed Don Zito, 4. Luck Lima outpointed Steve Bellus, 6; outpointed Joe Polowitzer, 6.

Hudson Bey outpointed Lucio Beltran, 4; drew with Frank Smith, 4. Eddie Brent knocked out Sal Sanchez, 3; outpointed Luis Renteria, 6. Frank Conti drew with Sonny Hill, 6. Lou Prince outpointed Clement Rodriguez, 6; knocked out Al Cella, 1. Paddy DeMarco outpointed Jose Fernandez, 6.

Jimmy Corti outpointed Tony Pontillo, 6. Joey Carkido knocked out Ray Parker, 1. Patsy Zoccano beat Morton Klein, 6. Frank Palermo outpointed Jimmy Cogman, 4; outpointed Jimmy Corti, 4. Cogman knocked out by Tommy Monty, 2; Cogman knocked out by Joey Carkido, 2. Zoccano knocked out by A. Velez, 1. Carkido knocked out Otis Mason, 2. Corti knocked out Johnny Douglas, 5. Palermo outpointed Marcus McCrea, 4. Corti outpointed Ray Parker, 4. Anthony Arnone knocked out Fogs Simmons, 3.

Joe Disoso outpointed Tony Foto, 4; lost to Tommy Pauley, 4. Foto knocked out Frank Rugl, 1. Pauley outpointed Johnny Villanueva, 6. Disoso outpointed by Baby Costello, 4. George Taix drew with Joe Thayer, 6; Taix and Thayer drew, 6. Patsy Zoccano drew with Eddie Dowl, 6. Zoccano lost to Nick Primiani, 6. Zoccano knocked out Orlando Ferrara, 5. Zoccano lost to Morton Klein, 6. Primiani outpointed Rocco Progano, 10. Zoccano outpointed Bobby Cummings, 8. Primiani lost to Johnny Dell, 8. Klein knocked out Patsy Zoccano, 2. Cummings beat Fred Patt, 6. Eddie Prince outpointed Jimmy Rizzo, 8. Joe Miller knocked out Del Bryant, 3; outpointed Allie Wolf, 6. Miller lost to Rudy Zidell, 5. Zidell knocked out by Eddie Prince, 7. Eddie Smith knocked out Joey Kushner, 5. Kushner knocked out Dick DeLotta, 4.

Jackie Alexander knocked out Sturde Punter, 1. Armand Tanguay knocked out George Vasel, 2. Dick Villeneuve knocked out Larry Tyler, 3.

Dan Robinson outpointed Pat Bradley, 5; knocked out Talmadge Bussey, 2. Ralph Hughes outpointed Bill Scolar, 6. Phil Stanley knocked out Young Gugga, 2. Rusty McCoy outpointed Des Doran, 4. Bill Pascoe outpointed Rusty York, 4. Jimmy Brunt knocked out Bill Padden, 4.

Al Deacon knocked out Al Bojak, 5. Ray Miller outpointed Bobby LaLonde, 4. Gene Boulden lost to Buddy Brown, 6. Willie Edmunds outpointed Mickey McCoy, 6. Charley Pope knocked out John Pryor, 2. Rocco Rossano outpointed Joe Rogers, 4. Ray MacArthur knocked out Bobby Jackson, 3. Young Green knocked out Billy Star, 3. Jackie Armitage outpointed George Smith, 4.

Flash Logan outpointed Mario Ferrio, 4. Kid Tagg outpointed Leon Jones, 4. Tagg knocked out by Richie Callura. 1. Dan Robinson outpointed Pat Bradley, 5.

Fred Corten knocked out Bluey Paxton, 1. Cliff Jones outpointed Bluey Dalton, 4. Young Stenner outpointed Doug Roberts, 4. Tommy Johns knocked out Billy Marsden, 1. Wal Tournier drew with Alby Price, 4. Al McKewan outpointed George Pitt.

Nathaniel Huskey outpointed Paul Guerrero, 4; outpointed Babe Picazo, 4. Billy Smith knocked out Roy Lewis, 2. Lewis knocked out Jimmy Woods, 3. Terry Smith knocked out Bob Johnson, 1; outpointed Larry Moreland, 4; knocked out by Harold Vincent, 2. Smith knocked out by Curtis Smith, 3. Mike Doyle drew with Joe DeMario, 6. Charley Milan outpointed Baby Armstrong, 6. Milan knocked out by Jimmy McGriff, 7.

Earl Dodson drew with Bobby Williams, 4. Dodson knocked out by Tony Argo, 2. Walter Johnson knocked out Silverio Dehises, 2. Paul Martin knocked out by Morris Kapp, 1. Kapp knocked out Roland Gomes, 2.

Jimmy Murphy knocked out Joe Lofton, 2. Lou Burke knocked out Johnny Fields, 2. Burke knocked out Johnny Fields, 2. Burke drew with Gary Cooper, 4. Fields knocked out by Ed Horeb, 1. Burke knocked out Jackie Pennington, 4. Burke knocked out Eddie Moran, 1. Clem Markel outpointed Jack Darue, 4.

Jimmy Troy outpointed Chick Jones, 2; knocked out Sunny Marlo, 3. Rocco Lescio knocked out Al Victoria, 5. Victoria outpointed Bobby Polowitzer, 8. Louis Tavares outpointed Carter Holmes, 4. Holmes lost to Billy Smith, 4. Holmes lost to Billy Smith, 4. Billy Ray lost to Ray Miller, 6; outpointed Ray Jackson, 6.

Johnny Verdusco outpointed Sal Victor, 4. Willie Bowen outpointed Paul Lassiter, 4. Lassiter outpointed by Will Jones, 4. Jones knocked out Babe Ellis, 1. Flash Gordon outpointed Al Garcia, 4.

Ray Parker outpointed Morris Elliott, 4. Elliott knocked out by Al Mazerole, 2. Julio Franco outpointed Wilfred Scott, 4; outpointed Wilfred Scott, 4. Ray Carter knocked out Curtis Smith, 3.

Blaine Macomber knocked out Roy Jackson, 1; outpointed Young Gagnon, 4. Terry Kip knocked out Ralph DeRos, 4; knocked out Ike Goldstein, 1. Kip knocked out by Walter Peddie, 3. Eddie Turner knocked out Armand Sampson, 2.

Freddie Polowitzer knocked out Sammy Zelman, 4. Vincent "Red" Doyle knocked out John Bartelino. Bartelino knocked out by Tommy Greb, 3. Greb outpointed Jackie Carroll, 6. Doyle lost to Johnny Perkins, 6.

Eden Germaine knocked out Vince Carty, 6. Johnny Goode knocked out Capus Benton, 2. Oscar Lewis outpointed Ace Dudley, 4.

Frank Gaudes knocked out Sam Huerrera, 2. Arbie Bowie outpointed Jimmy Hampton, 6. Hampton knocked out by Al Jordan, 3. Jordan outpointed Henry Majcher, 6. Johnny Verdusco knocked out by Len Missien, 1.

Butch Charles knocked out Nick Restano, 3. Billy Miller outpointed Bobby Root, 6. Morris Elliott drew with Joe Eldridge, 4. Ronald Renaud outpointed Armand St. John, 4; outpointed Eddie Reardon, 4. Steve Tax knocked out Jimmy Lincoln, 3.

Verne Bybee knocked out Shamus McCrea, 7. Robert Summers knocked out Harry Parisi, 1. Tony Argo outpointed Edsel Thomas, 4.

Henry Hosch outpointed Tony Fernandez, 4. Norville Gaddis outpointed Benny Davis, 6. Jimmy Anest lost to Juan Carrero, 6. Carrelo lost to Eddie Murphy, 6. Julie Bort knocked out Jimmy Cogman, 5; knocked out Frankie Parramore, 4. Norman Bennett outpointed George McCarthy, 4.

Jimmy Martin knocked out Howard Boyd. Everett Hodgkins drew with Sidney White, 4. Len Bickford outpointed Bill Bernier, 4.

Bolton Ford outpointed Mel Allen, 6.

Jimmie O'Brien outpointed Cherobee Howard, 4. Pete Noriega knocked out Johnny DuPree, 3. Red Gannon outpointed Baby Chino, 6. Joe Gispert outpointed Henry Waters, 4. Gispert outpointed Kid Bullard, 4. Blond Baggett outpointed Jack Simon, 4.

Doug Roberts lost to Harry Regan, 4. Claude Douglas outpointed Young Stenner, 4. Mickey Walker outpointed Harry Thompson, 6. Pat Smith lost to Charles Hall, 4. Carey Mace outpointed Red Flynn, 5. Mike Decosmo knocked out Winslow Woodward, 1. Jesse Yarber knocked out Carmen Greco, 3.

Featherweight fights: Sal Bartolo outpointed Jock Leslie, 10. Phil Terranova knocked out Oscar Lewis, 5; outpointed Bill Eddy, 10; outpointed Ellis Phillips, 10. Charley Riley outpointed Pete Bolos, 10.

Antonio Leamos outpointed Pedro Ramirez, 10. Charley (Cabey) Lewis outpointed Al Gomez, 10. Eddie Miller outpointed Bob Fuller, 10. Ken Bailey outpointed George Craig, 12. Ray Kay lost to Jack Jaeger, 12. Pat O'Connor outpointed Jimmy McDonald, 10. Joe Bissaker outpointed Danny Simmons, 12. Simmons knocked out by Sid Knight, 9. Ted Sprouter knocked out Ken Hatcher, 7. Jack Lucraft knocked out Stan Shaw, 4. Lucraft outpointed Billy Price, 6. Bissaker lost to Eric McCreadle, 12.

Ben Duffy drew with Syd Worgan, 10. Duffy knocked out by Al Phillips, 7. Gus Foran knocked out Tommy Dunne, 3. Jock McKenzie outpointed Al Hutt, 8. Jackie McGouran knocked out Johnny Brickwell, 1. Roger Tison outpointed Tommy McGlinchey, 10. Willie Pep outpointed Eddie Giosa, 10; outpointed Harold Gibson, 10.

Mike Belloise and Arturo Barron, technical draw, 1. Ray Delgado knocked out Young Perry, 3; outpointed Sammy Andrade, 10; knocked out Charlie Morrison, 2. Sonny Gomez outpointed Mike De La Rosa, 10.

Danny Woods outpointed Billy Cunningham, 8. Eric Powell outpointed Frankie Jackson, 8. Terry Daws outpointed Jerry Nagle, 10. Jimmy Stubbs outpointed Jackie Grimes, 8. Eddie Douglas outpointed Bernard Pugh, 8.

Freddie Wheeler drew with Tommy Barnham, 6. Dennis Chadwick knocked out Cyril Maudsley, 4. Johnny Brickwell knocked out Reg Powell, 3.

Lino Garcia knocked out Benjamin Prado, 2; outpointed Congo Guevara, 10. Baby Chichi drew with Pedro Calderon, 8. Johnny Wolgast outpointed Willie Weasel, 8. Freddie Russo outpointed Nick Camarata, 10. Timothy "Buddy" Hayes knocked out Tommy Moore, 9. Pat Brady knocked out Allie Minutoli, 1. Earl Trader outpointed Joey Longo, 8; outpointed George Knox, 8.

Mickey Quack outpointed Willie Anderson, 10. Georgie Knox outpointed Paul Febbo, 8; outpointed Rocco Progano, 6. Jackie Graves outpointed Sammy Parrotta, 8. Jackie Harris outpointed Tony Oshiro, 10.

Ray Alva outpointed Eddie Lee, 8. Juan Zapata knocked out Torito Ramos, 5. Nick Sanders knocked out Charley Stacker, 3. Sanders knocked out by Howard Jackson, 4. Sanders knocked out by George DeGidio, 6. Sanders outpointed Eddie Lee, 6. Vinnie Vazzo outpointed Tony Ferry, 8. Vazzo outpointed Bobby Polowitzer, 6. Vazzo outpointed Nick Stato, 8. Filberto Osario outpointed Cannonball Harold Gibson, 8. Leslie Harris outpointed Herb Jones, 8.

Lloyd Hudson drew with Leo Methot, 8. Joey Dolan knocked out Otis Mason, 2; outpointed Pat O'Leary, 6; outpointed Lou Prince, 6; outpointed Jerry Darby, 6; outpointed Ritchie Myershiro, 6. Vic Placey outpointed Henry Polowitzer, 5.

Pete Bolos outpointed Howard Jackson, 8. Oscar Williams knocked out Herman Mills, 2; knocked out Oliver Cobbins, 2; outpointed Stanley Cieslak, 8. Cobbins knocked out Jimmy Stewart, 2. Williams lost to Ted Christie, 6. Christie outpointed Victor Flores, 10. Christie outpointed Pat Foley, 8. Raymond (Perk) Glenn knocked out Stanley Stinson, 3.

Howard Monk knocked out Gus Suzu, 1; knocked out Gus Suzu, 2. Suzu knocked out by Harry Dee, 4. Monk knocked out by Jimmy Callura, 1. Dee outpointed Gus Suzu, 4. Monk lost to Donald Scanlon, 4. Dee knocked out Gus Suzu, 2. Bobby Rosado knocked out Francisco Rodriquez, 1. Jess Salazar outpointed Pete Pacheco, 4. Pacheco drew with Jeep Anderson, 6. Billy Reed outpointed Fred Killingham, 4; outpointed Fred Hernandez, 4; lost to Nick Diaz, 4.

Fabela Chavez outpointed Pee Wee Lewis, 6; outpointed Bert White, 6. Ossie Rodriguez outpointed Joe Robleto, 6; knocked out Mal Neary, 5. Teddy Swain outpointed Joey Wasnick, 6. Swain drew with Blond Tiger, 10. Blond Tiger knocked out Billy Lambert, 8. Swain knocked out by Joe Montiero, 2. Wasnick lost to Billy Murray, 6. Blond Tiger outpointed Teddy Swain, 10. Blond Tiger outpointed Rickey Montiero, 10.

Danny Triolo knocked out Jimmy Terry, 1; knocked out Johnny Pitts, 1; knocked out John White, 2. Joe Rodriguez knocked out Larney Mosely, 1. Spider Armstrong knocked out Al Cella, 2; outpointed Tony Oshiro, 8. Cella knocked out Ralph LaSalle, 3. Armstrong lost to Danny Carabella, 6. Armstrong knocked out Joey Gatto, 1.

Brown Lee outpointed Willie Thomas, 6; outpointed Johnny Fulton, 6. Thomas outpointed Danny Weber, 6. Bobby Waters knocked out Bill Richardson, 2; outpointed Johnny Fees, 6; outpointed Tino Rosas, 6. Fees outpointed Pedro Sanchez, 6. Al Escobar knocked out Romero Lopez, 3. Lopez knocked out Johnny Martinez, 3. Jack Darue outpointed Al Griffin, 4.

Ham Wiloby knocked out Mike Gravino, 7; knocked out Pedro Biesca, 2. Petey Virgin outpointed Richie Myershiro, 6. Myershiro lost to Clint Miller, 8. Virgin outpointed Augie Lapara, 10. Ken Williams outpointed Johnny Green, 4.

Stan Shaw knocked out Andy Gollan, 4. Jack Lucraft outpointed Billy Price, 6. Howard Wilson outpointed Harold Wilson, 6; lost to Wray Carter, 4. Marion Rhoeten outpointed Harold Wilson, 6.

Butch Maxwell outpointed Hank Okura, 4. Okura outpointed Butch Maxwell, 5; outpointed Ernie Hoffman, 4. Okura knocked out Ted Barnedo, 3. Johnny Douglas knocked out Percy Idlett, 3. Idlett lost to Joe Burns, 4. Jackie Carroll knocked out Ray Ellison, 3; knocked out Freddie Gilbo, 5; outpointed Jackie Pennington, 6; outpointed Steve Bellus, 8. Pennington knocked out by Gene Leblanc, 3. Leblanc knocked out Young Junior, 1. Junior knocked out Jerry Lavigne, 3. Carroll knocked out Tommy Colton, 1. Pennington knocked out George Cannon, 3. Gene Roberts knocked out George Hahn, 4. Drew with Herman Mills, 5. Lee Bohles outpointed Juan Emanuel, 4.

Chuey Rodriquez outpointed Matias Ruiz, 4. Henry Young outpointed Rito Torres, 6. Fidel Aguilar outpointed Frankie Venezuela, 4. Steve Curley outpointed Jimmy Cogman, 6; outpointed Pedro Biesca, 6. Biesca lost to Charley Noel, 6. Cogman knocked out by Julie Bort, 5.

Freddie Steele drew with Ralph Sindolfi, 6; knocked out Joey Gold, 5; drew with Tommy Monty, 6; knocked out Butch Maxwell, 3. Angelo Ambrosano outpointed John Settles, 6. Settles knocked out Joe Rodriquez, 2. Young Lee Q. Murray knocked out Billy Reed, 2. Jimmy Ricco lost to Eddie Thomas, 6. Ricco lost to George Junior, 4. Ricco lost to Eddie Hines, 4.

Billy Murray outpointed Joey Wasnick, 6. Leo Methot outpointed Bobby English, 8. English outpointed Leo Methot, 8. English outpointed Jackie Harris, 10. English outpointed Teddy Swain, 10. Tony Ferrar knocked out Howard Monk, 2. Tito Vallis outpointed Ellsworth Simley, 4. Vallis outpointed Percy Idlett, 4.

Jimmy Cogman outpointed by Steve Curley, 6. Curley outpointed Pedro Biesca, 6. Curley outpointed Al Jiminez, 6. Reds Hall knocked out Pete Pearce, 2. Tommy Monty knocked out Jimmy Cogman, 2; drew with Freddie Steele, 6. knocked out Al Cella, 2.

Donald Krieger outpointed Sammy Zelman, 4. Johnny Gaudes knocked out Bobby Wright, 1. Leroy Jackson knocked out Andy Pera, 7; outpointed Lee Garrett, 8. Pat Iacobucci knocked out Ike Carter, 4. Sammy Anderson knocked out Jimmy Pera, 3; drew with Fidel Aguilar, 4; outpointed Mando Soso, 4.

Al Garcia knocked out Mike Villanova, 3. Nick Smith knocked out Tony Mendez, 1; outpointed Sal Victor, 4. Hoag Duane outpointed Benny Jerome, 8; outpointed Max Schindler, 8. Jerome outpointed Baby Sanchez, 8.

Red Grant outpointed Eddie Chin Lee, 6; outpointed Hank Okura, 6. Joe Saddler outpointed Benny Daniels, 6. Davey Allen knocked out Johnny Rowe, 1. Luther Burgess knocked out Jimmy Lincoln, 3.

Gene Howell knocked out Larry James, 1; outpointed Jackie Pennington, 6; outpointed Morris Kapp, 6. Frankie Parramore knocked out Ray Rogers, 3. Lew Brown outpointed Sonny Rinaldi, 4. Fred Latson knocked out Charley Stacker, 3.

Fernando Gagnon knocked out Eddie Petrin, 5. Tino Alfonso outpointed Johnny Janino, 4. Johnny Garcia outpointed Johnny Genero, 4. Ernest Nogues knocked out George Rojos, 6. Frankie Waters knocked out Don Perkins, 1.

Here are the bantamweight bouts: Theo Medina outpointed Jackie Paterson, non-title, 10. Bernie Dunne outpointed Les Brooks, 12. Morris Johnson outpointed Pat Tierney, 12. Mickey McKay knocked out Reg Lawton, 5.

Manuel Ortiz outpointed Proctor Heinvldo, 10. Jackie Jurich outpointed Felipe Gomez, 10. Kenny Lindsay outpointed Bobby Richards, 10. Elwood Romero knocked out Ceferino Robleto, 1.

Rolando Delgado outpointed Manuel Garcia, 8. Jesus Varona knocked out Gilberto Dominguez, 2. Kid Quinche outpointed Mario Morales, 8. Guinchi knocked out Ciro Morasen, 1. Young Montana uopointed Donald Gibbons, 10.

Pee Wee Flores outpointed Rene Cantero, 10. Bernie Dunn outpointed Lon Brain, 12. Ray Roberts outpointed Ken Jefferson, 10. Dick O'Sullivan knocked out Al Briggs, 9. Luis Castilo outpointed Tony Olivera, 10.

Tiny Bostock outpointed Ronnie Draper, 8. Cliff Anderson lost to Cliff Curvis, 8. Anderson outpointed Mickey Colbert, 6. Tommy Madine outpointed Jimmy Webster, 6. Jackie Bonas outpointed Peter Fallon, 8. Bobby Frith knocked out George Green, 5. Frank Williams knocked out Len Wiseman, 1.

Frankie Pucci knocked out Wendell Douglas, 2; outpointed Louis Langley, 6. Langley outpointed Nick Madden, 4. Pucci outpointed Willie Alexander, 4. Jimmy Stangas knocked out Ellis Williams, 2. Dick Egan knocked out Tommy Lee, 3.

Fred Hernandez outpointed Johnny Martinez, 4. Martinez outpointed Jay Jan, 4. Martinez drew with Felix Miramontes, 4. Kid Flowers knocked out Kid Arceneaux. Flowers lost to Philip Williams, 4. Vince Lauria knocked out Jimmy Parlin, 2. Willie Anderson outpointed Jimmy Neely, 6. Frankie Rivera knocked out Charley Johnson, 1.

George Stinging Lee knocked out Young Abrigo, 6. Young Jansen outpointed Leslie Musea, 4. Joseph Bradford outpointed Kid Singh, 4. Andy Hayward knocked out Jimmy Jeannette, 2. Max Schindler outpointed Robert Molina, 4. Jackie Boyd outpointed Jose Garcia, 4.

Flyweight bouts were: Mickey Hill knocked out Stan Mott, 9. Jackie Paterson lost to Theo Medina, 10. Paterson knocked out Sammy Reynolds, 3. Reynolds knocked out Jock McKenzie, 3. Seaman Allen Terry knocked out Hassen Raboh, 1. Norman Lewis lost to Jimmy Gill, T. John Hughes knocked out Paddy Burgin, 3.

Rinty Monaghan knocked out Bunty Doran, 4. Joe Rodriguez outpointed Orlando Fernandez, 4. Jimmy Webster outpointed Mickey Jones, 6. Dick Lewis outpointed Tommy Burney, 8.

Little Tony knocked out Chino Alonzo, 2; knocked out Jack Kelley, 2; boxed exhibition with Johnny Dupree, 4. Stan Allen outpointed Pat Danaher, 4. Alan Stanhope outpointed Percy Lacey, 4. Stumpy Butwell outpointed Laurie Grimstead, 12.

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SECTIONAL RATINGS

IN an effort to develop local interest in the boys who are fighting their way to national recognition, THE RING has had its correspondents list the boxers of their localities according to ability as exemplified in their 1945 contests. Here is THE RING'S annual sectional ranking of boxers:

BRITISH RATINGS
By John S. Sharpe

Heavyweights — Bruce Woodcock (British Champion), Ken Shaw, Jock Porter, Eddie Phillips, Alf Brown, Tom Reddington, George Preston, Reg Andrews.

Cruiserweights—Freddie Mills (British Champion), Bert Gilroy, Glen Moody, Len Bennett, Al Marson, Mart Hart.

Middleweights—Ernie Roderick (British Champion), Jock McAvoy (lost title by default), Vince Hawkins, Tommy Davies, Bert Hyland, Tommy Jones, Jim Laverick, Albert Finch, Jim Hockley, Paddy Lyons.

Welterweights—Ernie Roderick (British Champion), Arthur Danahar, Lefty Flynn, Henry Hall, Gwyn Williams, Cyril Gallee, Jimmy Vaughan, Jimmy Malloy, Johnny "Ginger" Watters, Harry Davies.

Lightweights—Ronnie James (British Champion), Tom Smith, Dave Finn, Claude Dennington, Dave Crowley, Jack Carrick, Jackie Rankin, Ben Duffy, Bob Ramsey, Warren Kendall.

Featherweights—Nel Tarleton (British Champion), Al Phillips, Danny Webb, Jimmy Stubbs, Tommy McGlinchey, Syd Worgan, Bert Jackson, Tommy Davies, Cliff Curvis.

Bantamweights—Johnny King (British Champion), Jackie Paterson (Empire Champion), Sammy Reynolds, Gus Foran, Jim Brady, Norman Lewis, Ronnie Clayton, Micky Colbert, Tim Mahoney, Cliff Anderson.

Flyweights—Jackie Paterson (World's Champion), Joe Curran, Seaman Terry Allen, Rinty Monaghan (Irish Champion), Bunty Doran, Jimmy Gill, Alec Murphy, Hugh Cameron, George Parkes, Billy Clinton.

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Heavyweights—Title Vacant, Federico Malibran, Giraldo Valdes, Kid Carvajal.

Light-heavyweights—Title vacant, Mario R. Ochoa, Onelio Agramonte, Mario Griffin.

Middleweights—Kid Tunero (Champion), Indian Gomez, Rene Sanchez, Roberto Aguilera, Juan Serrano, Mario Diaz, Remigio Lugo.

Welterweights—Joe Legon (Champion), Baby Coullimber, Jesus Vila, Julio Pedroso, Rogelio Aldazabal, Jose Batista, Alberto Nunez.

Lightweights—Kid Gavilan (Champion), Kid Bururu, Baby Leonard, Santiago Sosa, Bombon Oriental, Joey Calixto, Rene Cantero.

Featherweights—Mike Acevedo (Champion), Diego Sosa, Mario Morales, Sojito Gonzalez, Pedro Poey, Lino Garcia, Rolando Delgado.

Bantamweights — Luis Galvani (Champion), Lorenzo Safora, Billy Lima, Ramon Yero, Pedro Medina, Jorge Cruz, Jesus Varona.

Flyweights—Black Pico (Champion), Jorge Lazo, Ramon Castillo, Armando Puentes Pi, Jose A. Gonzalez, Kid Guarina, Orlando Fernandez.

MIDWEST RATINGS
By Mickey McIntire

Heavyweights—Lee Oma, Odell Riley, Buddy Walker, Colin Chaney.

Light-heavyweights—Archie Moore, Bob Satterfield, Max Pashay, Dave Clark, Gene Simmons.

Middleweights—Tony Zale, Holman Williams, Jimmy Edgar, Lou Woods, Tony Martin, Bernie Droll.

Welterweights—Tommy Bell, Jimmy Sherrer, Charley Parham, George Costner, O'Neill Bell, Major Jones.

Junior Welterweights—Bobby McIntire, Freddy Dawson, Al Jordan, Billy Smith, Art Price, Del Cockayne.

Lightweights—Willie Joyce, Willie Russell, Bill Eddy, Jimmy Joyce, LeRoy Willis, Juste Fontaine, Gene Spencer.

Junior Lightweights — Jackie Graves, Leon Spencer, Al Gomez, Bobby McQuillar.

Featherweights — Pete Bolos, Frank Gaudes, Pat Bradley, Mickey Quack, Ted Christie.

Bantamweights—Kayo Morgan, Benny Goldberg, Cleve Holt, Frankie Rivera, Tommy Nelson.

BUFFALO N. Y., RATINGS
By Hugh Shannon

Heavyweight—Phil Muscato.
Light-heavyweight—Prentiss Hall.
Middleweight—Cliff Beckett.
Welterweight—Johnny Green.
Lightweight—Sonny Hampton.
Featherweight—Mike Martyk.
Bantamweight—Vic Eisen.

RHODE ISLAND RATINGS
By Eddie Beck

Heavyweight—Frank Catoia.

Light-heavyweights—Jimmy Ruzzo, Alex Rebark, Eddie Silva.

Middleweights — Gene Boulden, Al Bojack, Bobby Lancelotti, Manny Cabral.

Welterweights—Ralph Zannelli, Ernie Forte, Bobby Zollo, Eddie Soares.

Lightweights—Joey Angelo, Ernie Guisti, Joe Celetti, Del Gado, Lou Tavares.

Featherweights—Larry Bolvin, Martin Tabor, Morris Kapp, Danny Martin.

WASHINGTON, D. C., RATINGS
By Jim Echols

Heavyweights—Yancey Henry, Georgie Parks, Dixie Oliver, Jimmy Bell, Jackie Cranford, Bobby Parsons, Al Davis, Red Jeter, Otis Harris, Joe Green.

Middleweights—Bee Bee Washington, Joe Gannon, Frankie Wills, Frank Sweeney, Don Ellis.

Light-heavyweights—Paul Rodevick, "Powerhouse" Johnson, Taylor Miller, Ernie Pope.

Welterweights—Aaron Perry, Nick Latsios, Smuggy Hursey, Norville Gaddis, Flattop Cummings, Emmett Harris, Artie Brown, Bee Zee Washington, Bobby Suma, Arthur Bethea.

Lightweights — Lew Hanbury, Billy Terry, Jimmy McGriff, Billy Banks, Oscar Wright, Eddie Lyles, Billy Morris, Sammy Thompson, Billy Lewis, Waddy Temple.

Featherweights—Danny Petro, Herbie Jones, Ernest Park.

Bantamweight—Jimmy Jeannette.

Flyweights—None.

WEST VIRGINIA RATINGS
By Mickey Davies

Heavyweights—Tiz Jones, John Rowsey, Bob Ramsey, Norman Tweel.

Light-heavyweights — Ezra Gooderham, Russ Jones, Lonnie Bowden.

Middleweights—Billy Jackson, Jack Rowsey, Charlie Moore, George Hairston.

Welterweights—Sparky Reynolds, Paul Ogre, Georgie Williams.

Lightweights—Brown Lee, Harvey Mitchell, Eddie Barnes, Glenn Banfield, Eddie Adkins.

Featherweights—Harry Rose, Buck Collins, Bobby Kinder.

Bantamweights—None.

Flyweight—Young Sparkey.

SOUTHERN OHIO RATINGS
By J. Jimmie Amann

Heavyweights—Buddy Walker, Jimmy Brown, Tommy Woodyard, Kenny Johnson, Billy Pappas.

Light-heavyweights—Ira Hughes, Earl Mook, Ted Nichols.

Middleweights—Tip Ramsey, Curley Denton, Dave Clark, Mutt Swartz, Harry Wright.

Welterweights—Sugar Costner, Larry Cartwright, Herschel Joiner, Jimmy Ainscough, Gene Gudgill.

Lightweights—Candy McDaniels, Willie Russell, Rudy Zadell, Jimmy Woods, Al Williams.

Featherweights—Johnny Goode, Tiger Wills, Pat Iaobucci, Joey Palmo.

Bantamweight—None.

Flyweight—None.

VANCOUVER AND VICINITY RATINGS
By Jim Johnston

Heavyweights—Joe Kahut, Bob Zander, Moose Kennedy, Jack Huber, Ted Lowry.

Light-heavyweights—Tiger Jack Fox, Jock McComber, Tony Kahut, Warner Holland, John L. Sullivan.

Middleweights—Leo Turner, Frankie Gimble, Australian Jack Allen, Glenn Northcutt, Speedy Cannon, Hank Egli.

Welterweights—Phil Palmer, Spider McCallum, Booker Ellis, Pedro Montez, Chester Orr.

Lightweights—Gene Johnson, Lloyd Rolph, Midget Wolgast, Frenchie Peters, Duke Harris.

Featherweights—Joey Dolan, Kenny Lindsay, Snooks Lacey, Freddie Steele, Raphael Sanchez.

Bantamweights — Jackie Turner, Harvey Wicker, Duane Hoag, Benny Jerome, Bobbie Parker.

Flyweights—Wes Byrnell, Joe Clemo.

BRITISH GUIANA RATINGS
By Compton Santos

Heavyweight—None.

Light-heavyweights — Tiger Jack Johnson, Fighting Shadrack.

Middleweights — Young Gibbs, Tiger Shark, Ken Thomas, Joe Bonomo.

Welterweights — Len Houston, Al Prescod, Jonathan Kenedy, Dynamite Kid, Harry Payne.

Lightweights—Young Tanner (outstanding), Young Fritzie Zivic, Anoop Singh, Al Reid, Young Agard.

Featherweights — Hilton Denny, Joe Ralph, George Fraser, Chris Young, Kid Lawrence.

Bantamweights—Young Montana, Young Jenson, Joseph Bradford, Nanth Sumare, Ned Gittens.

Flyweights—Young Abrigo, Kid Vincent, Risco Kid. No other worthy of mention.

TEXAS RATINGS
By Bill Davee

Heavyweights: Tiger Sheppard, Jack Marshall, Lotario Ramirez, J. D. Turner.

Light-heavyweights: Ben Johnson, Amado Rodriquez, Douglas Rhone.

Middleweights: Tony Elizondo, Paul Altman, Fritzie Zivic, Wild Bill McDowell.

Welterweights: Artie Dorrell, Kid Azteca, Bob Evans, Billy Deeg.

Lightweights: Tony Mar, Tony Rios, Eddie Bertolino, Fidel Rivera.

Featherweights. Manny Ortega, Ramon Alva, Proctor Heinold.

CANADIAN TOPICS
By LAWSON BAMPTON

GUS (PELL) MELL was extended to the limit to score over Paulie Jackson of Reading, Pa., in the main attraction of Promoter Al Foreman's offering of four ten rounders at the Forum. True to his name, Mell started off in pell-mell style, getting away to a good lead in the early rounds and it looked as though he might stop Jackson, staggering him badly in the third with a beautiful right cross. However, in the late rounds, Jackson took the play away and made a strong finish. That, however, failed to erase Mell's big early lead.

Due to last minute changes, the show grossed under $9,000, nearly $5,000 less than Foreman's first offering featuring Mell and Maxie Shapiro. Two of the bouts were changed two days before the fights so it was bound to be reflected in the gate receipts. Steve Kronis, a prime favorite here, got an infected finger and Ted Christie replaced him against Victor Flores. The heavyweight match between Larry Bouchard and Henry Cooper fell through and was replaced by a lightweight bout between Joey Peralta and Ralph Walton.

These turned out to be good fights with plenty of gruelling action. Peralta warmed up slowly, finding Walton a difficult problem to cope with. However, in the later rounds his vast experience asserted itself and his timely counter-punching brought him victory over the rangy local Negro. Flores looked to have a slight edge over Christie early in their battle but the veteran came along with two-fisted barrages to gain the nod over the fiery Mexican.

In a bout billed as for the Canadian feather title vacated by Gus Mell due to increasing poundage, Fernando Gagnon, of Quebec, stopped Eddie Petrin, local veteran who had just returned from overseas, in five rounds. Petrin was down for no count in the second, a seven count in the third and a niner in the fifth, when it was halted. Petrin did slug back and floored Gagnon but condition and age were far too big handicaps for him.

Harry Hurst's recent return from R.C.A.F. duties overseas adds a fillup to the local boxing scene. This colorful, hard-hitting lightweight, or junior welter, is a very popular performer and looks to be more powerful than ever in his gym workouts.

Foreman is putting on shows that should boom the game here, with Mell and Hurst as the spark plugs. It would be ideal to have Dave Castilloux shown too, say against Mell and Hurst. We wouldn't be surprised if these sell-outs materialized.

Stray Shots—Canada Al Evans, local Negro middleweight, is set to start a campaign. . . . Evans expects to campaign in the States. His colorful battling makes him a popular performer with promoters and fans. . . . "Doc" St. Marie of Springfield, Mass., has some fine French-Canadian prospects. . . . He is piloting Jerry Lavigne, Canada's best bantam now campaigning among the feathers, and Rollie Renaud, a blonde blizzard who recently received his Canadian Army discharge. . . . Both are Montrealers. . . . "Doc" also has a fine young prospect in Richie Salois, a natural puncher. . . . Holyoke is their happiest hunting ground. . . . Abe Elkin's star Canuck scrappers spent their Xmas holidays at home. . . . Phil Palmer, a Garden favorite, travelling out to Vancouver and Nick Primiani, Johnny Greco's cousin, to Montreal. . . . Desse Greene picked up half a grand by selling his share of Larry Bouchard's contract. . . . Wilfe Shanks is putting on weight and gaining strength for his eventual return to the ring. . . . Eddie Quinn doing a great job as wrestling promoter has made Montreal the world's mat mecca. He packs in big crowds regularly. Crowds were turned away when Jack Dempsey came here to referee team match between Yvon Robert-Felix Miquet versus the Dusek brothers. . . . 'Twas a great show and the crowd loved it. . . . Very smart promotion work. . . . Quinn has now bought a suburban home so wrestling is here to stay. . . . Small clubs operate regularly so you can see a mat card in Montreal nearly every night.

Jerry Berthiaume was highly exploited by Billy Stevens to get a match with Tami Mauriello, who kayoed him in the second round at Cleveland. . . . Berthiaume was a lowly prelim boy in local regard, local middles like Wilfe Shanks and Al Evans could whip him. . . . Great laugh locally at sports page cartoon in New York papers of Berthiaume, giving him several Canadian titles and saying that he was all-round athlete, playing football for McGill University of Toronto. . . . That college happens to be in Montreal and nobody ever heard of Berthiaume as a footballer. . . . What bunk Billy Stevens has been sending out.

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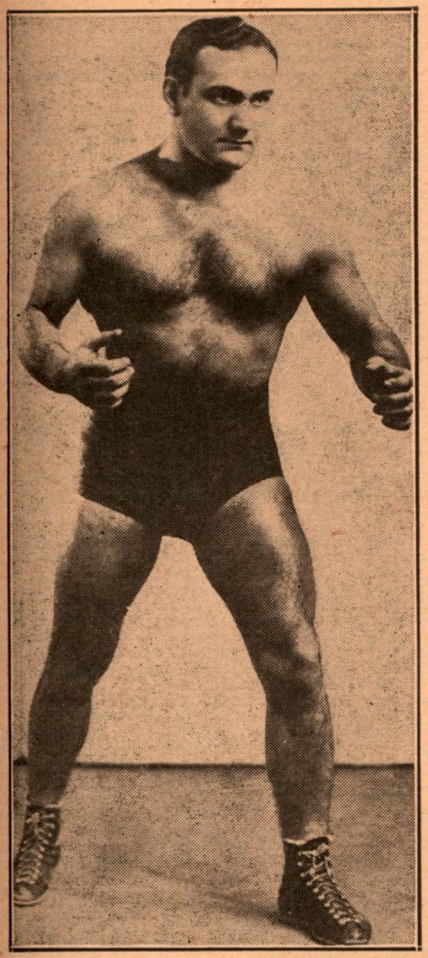
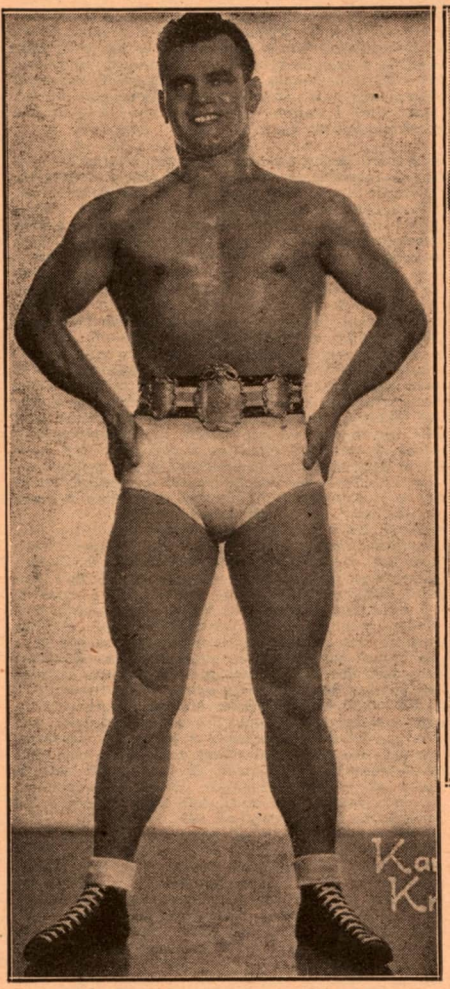
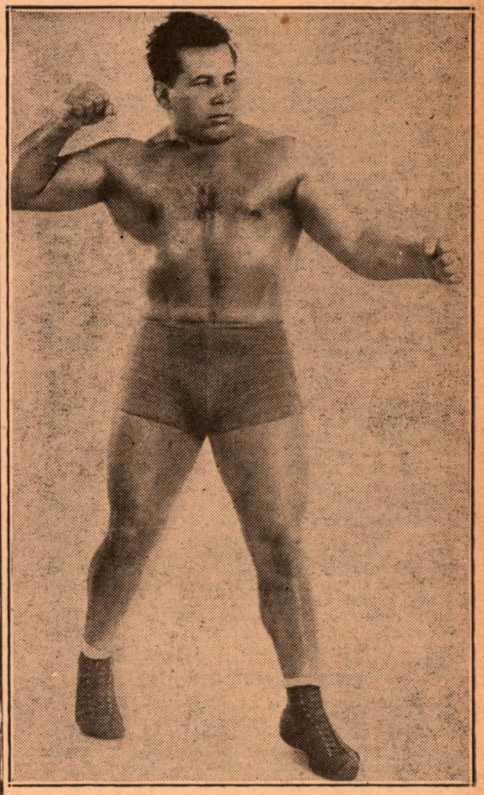


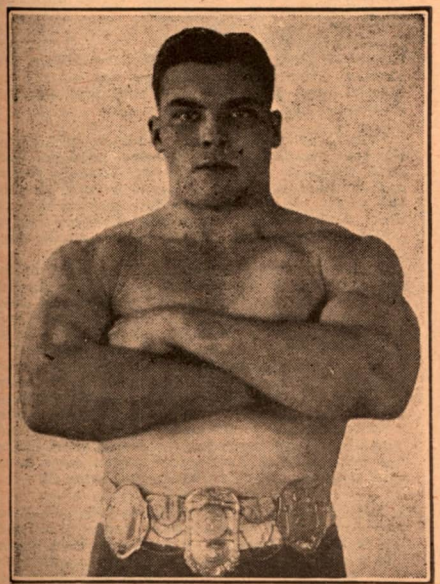
Joe Millich, former Coast Guardsman, who so impressed Jack Dempsey at Manhattan Beach that Jack induced Rudy Dusek to sign him. Millich comes from St. Louis and is a good heavyweight prospect.



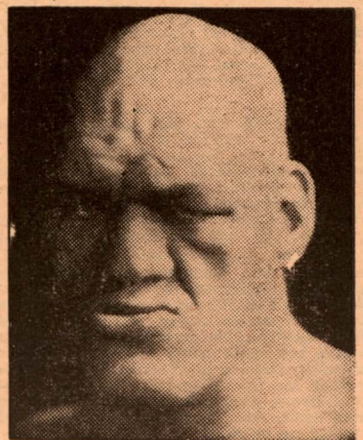
Karol Krauser, one of the favorites in Metropolitan wrestling circles. Until "The Mighty Atom," an Eastern headliner, faced Karol, he had things his own way, but Krauser halted his winning streak.



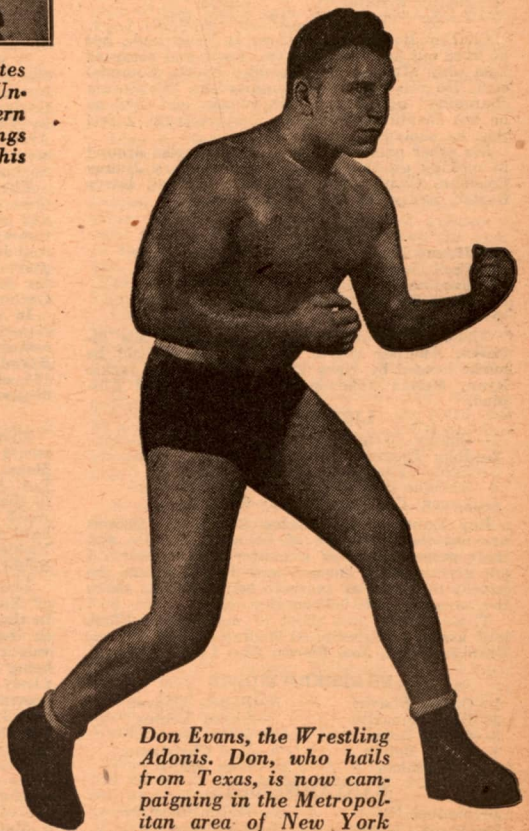
Ernie Dusek, one of the Dusek quintet, who thrills the mat fans every place he goes. The Dusek club retains its popularity in all parts of the country because of the showmanship which each member displays.



Dave Levin, former claimant to world heavyweight honors, who has returned East after a successful campaign in California and the Far West. The Long Island heavyweight is one of the best grapplers in the game.



The Swedish Angel, Jack Pfeffer's meal ticket. The Angel has been travelling in every nook and corner of America showing his wares and is now headlining shows in the East.



Don Evans, the Wrestling Adonis. Don, who hails from Texas, is now campaigning in the Metropolitan area of New York and in the New England States. He is one of the mainstays of the Dusek wrestling troupe.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By HARRY WINKLER

AGAIN comes the time of year when we RING scribes climb out on a limb with our Annual Ratings. It is always a tough assignment, but doubly hard these days because of the war, involving "frozen titles," inactivity and out-of-state residence. Therefore, because of the many angles to be considered in rating our California boxers, I am adding a brief footnote to my choice in each division, hoping to appease some of the readers who may feel that their favorite has not been accorded due consideration.

And please keep in mind that only those boxers who have been residing in this state at least six months (those eligible to compete for state title) are listed in this rating. Also, that former "resident boxers" who have not fought inside the state in the past six months, are omitted. Of course, boxers who are really of California are listed, even though they may not have performed in this state at any time during the year.

HEAVYWEIGHTS

1—Johnny Haynes	6—Harold Blackshear
2—Al Hoosman	7—Geo. Giambastiani
3—Bobby Zander	8—Tim Kelly
4—Rusty Payne	9—John Donnelly
5—Newsboy Millich	10—Doug Ellison

The name of Turkey Thompson is missing here because he is still in the Army and greatly overweight from inactivity. It would not be fair to him to place him far down on my list, and I cannot conscientiously place him near the top. Elmer Ray is omitted because he has not boxed in the state during the year and California is not his home.

The names of big fellows who had to be considered in listing the heavies are Al Jordan, Paul Jackson, Al Ware, Eddie Jackson, Gene Felton.

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS

1—Archie Moore	6—Watson Jones
2—Lloyd Marshall	7—Jackie Burke
3—Billy Smith	8—Tiger Sheppard
4—Buddy Millard	9—Jack Hannon Porter
5—Fitzie Fitzpatrick	10—Joe Mack

Among others who closely crowd a few of those listed above are Homer McGrew, George Millich, Titus Hawkins, Tommy Garland, Francis Ogg.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

1—Charley Burley	6—Frank Augustain
2—Jack Chase	7—Roy Miller
3—Aaron (Tiger) Wade	8—Paul Lewis
4—Kenny Watkins	9—Vicente Villavicencio
5—Paulie Peters	10—Louie Wise

Charley Burley's hometown is Pittsburgh, but he lived out here for over two years and returned East only after being suspended by the Commission. He was officially recognized as "California champion" up until a few months ago, and as he has fought in this state just recently, I feel that he should be listed here.

Six other names that had to be juggled around in making up this 160-pound class were Jimmy Coleman, Charles Catos, Herman Graves, Larry Carter, Reecy Davis, Red Rasmussen.

WELTERWEIGHTS

1—Jimmy Doyle	6—Chester Slider
2—Cecil Hudson	7—Earl Turner
3—Freddie Dixon	8—Tommy Egan
4—Nick Moran	9—Memo Llanes
5—Jimmy McDaniels	10—Lige Drew.

There is an abundance of talent in this division. Another list of ten good men could be made, headed by Neva Esparza, Don Lee, Jackie Ryan, Melvin Johnson, Al Coutoure, Kid Filipino.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

1—Chalky Wright	6—Cleo Shans
2—John Thomas	7—Joey Barnum
3—Bobby Yaeger	8—Mike Delia
4—Enrique Bolanos	9—Eddie Hudson
5—Larry Cisneros	10—Ray Salas

Ray Lunny, Verne Bybee and Eddie Marcus are not listed because of being in Service and their present abilities a matter of guesswork. I am giving John Thomas and Joey Barnum the benefit of doubt as to their being able to make the weight. Both believe they can.

Those falling just short of making the "first ten" are Matt Oglesby, Al Medrano, Tony Chavez, Frankie Moore, Jess Flores, Abel Lucero.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

1—Carlos Chavez	6—Fabela Chavez
2—Baby Gonzales	7—Chuco Llanes
3—Chico Rosa	8—Little Giant
4—Larry Bolvin	9—Bud Christman
5—Joe Robleto	10—Bert White

BANTAMWEIGHTS

1—Manuel Ortiz	6—Pedro Ramirez
2—Benny Goldberg	7—Eli Golindo
3—Luis Castillo	8—Ramon Ruiz
4—Tony Olivera	9—Elwood Romero
5—Lorenzo Safora	10—Val Valentine

FLYWEIGHTS

1—Alfredo Chavez is claimant to the state title and is recognized as such by the Commission. The division really is not worthy of mention. There are not two main-event flyweights in the state and I cannot name ten even among the preliminary ranks.

Arturo Godoy won handily over Johnny Haynes in an interesting 10-rounder at the Los Angeles Olympic before a near-sellout. Haynes proved too green for the cagey Chilean, who won 7 of the heats on my score-card. And although Godoy made the giant Negro look amateurish and staggered him on a few occasions, the Latin was not too impressive. His victory was a matter of styles and experience. There must be many heavies who can beat him. I doubt that he could defeat either of two California heavies—Al Hoosman or Bobby Zander.

With few exceptions, each round was a repetition of the other. Godoy bobbed and weaved his way inside where he tied Haynes up and pelted him with his free hand. Arturo stuck to Johnny like a porous-plaster most of the time and the big Negro clouter didn't know how to get away from him. Haynes is too big for that style of fighting and after three rounds of wasted effort, he became plenty disgusted. There were instances when Haynes stood like a steer in the road, absolutely bewildered.

The Negro shook Godoy to his toes on a few occasions, but always missed his follow-through punches. Only in the 7th did it look as though John was to win by a knockout. He had Arturo lying over the ropes and landed a number of hard blows that had the Chilean hurt. But Godoy weathered the onslaught, and Haynes missed so many of his powerhouse punches that he ended the round as motionless as a clothing-store dummy. Arturo got his features mussed up in this heat, his left eye almost closed.

But, Matchmaker Babe McCoy might just as well have signed Haynes for a 7-round fight, for that is what it was as far as John was concerned. He made no effort to win in the last three rounds. Had the big Negro fought half as hard as Sparky Rudolph did in the corner, Haynes would have won, and in a rematch, I'd pick him. Godoy weighed 200, Haynes 218. The gate was $31,250.

In the 6-round semi, Francis Ogg, 173, Sacramento, decisioned Art Taylor, 168, San Diego.

Other results: Homer McGrew, 168, iced Kent Roberts, 168, in the first heat; Charles Moorman, 174, decisioned Ray Acosta, 173, in four; Tony Martin, 206, bested Elliott Beckham, 198, in four; Mike Flaherty, 190, stopped Bob Bowyer, 189, in the third.

It will be a case of "Hol' that Tigah!" now. For Tiger Sheppard, the squatty Negro of Texas, has upset the idol of the Bay District—Tommy Garland of Culver City. And Tiger did it right in Tommy's own back yard, the Ocean Park Arena. It was a 10-rounder, in which Sheppard won the unanimous decision, but there were no knockdowns and no one badly hurt.

The stocky Negro continuously rushed into close quarters, put his head on Garland's chest and whaled away with both hands to Tommy's tummy. Garland staged a rally in the late rounds, but he didn't have enough steam to overtake the Texan, who has oodles of stamina for just such occasions. Sheppard weighed 175, Garland 177.

In supporting bouts, Rudy Turner, 157, decisioned Bob Hawkins, 161 (4); Nick Smith, 127, bested Sal Victor, 130 (4); Leonard Mission, 138, KO'ed Johnny Verdusco, 136 (1); Ben Cordova, 165, chilled Leon Lewis, 162 (1); Al Garcia, 127, disposed of Mike Villaneuva, 132 (3).

Memo Llanes of Sonora, Mex., is one of those smart young men who learn from experience. Memo had been twice beaten by Bobby Yaeger, Los Angeles Negro boxer, but upset the dope in their third meeting, a 10-rounder at the Hollywood Stadium. Having learned his lessons the hard way, Memo marked them well, and fought Yaeger the one and only way that he could beat Bobby.

Llanes fought low, bobbed and weaved inside of Yaeger's straight punching to whack Bobby in the body and nail him with overhand punches to the head. Yaeger's timing was bad and he was rather slow on his feet (probably due to being a little heavier than usual) and Llanes was nicely ahead by the end of the 4th. However, improving both his timing and footwork, the Negro kept Memo at arms length during the next three heats, and by scoring numerous solid rights, pulled up even at the end of the 7th.

Llanes put on a two-fisted attack in the final three rounds that earned him a shade in each of them, but the fighting was close every minute of the way and the Mexican's margin was a slim one. In fact, the decision was a split one, one judge voted for Yaeger, while both Referee Johnny Indrisano and the other judge had Llanes ahead by only three points. Each weighed 142.

In the semi, Allen Arnett, 169, dumped Titus Hawkins, 169, San Diego, three times in the first two rounds, to win the 6-round decision. But those were the only two rounds Arnett won, and Hawkins almost evened it up.

In the 4-rounders, Fidel Aquilar, 137, decisioned Frank Valenzuela, 142; Dub Bowen, 140, outpointed Paul Lassiter, 142; Henry Rich, 162, KO'ed Jackie Cooper, 156, in the first; Willie Jones, 141, disposed of Babe Ellis, 144, in one round.

That scrap with Manuel Ortiz gave Little Giant added self-esteem. He required only half the time to dispose of Baby Hernandez of Mexico, in their rematch at the San Diego Coliseum. Before meeting the champ, Giant had stopped the Mexican in six rounds. The sawed-off Negro iced Hernandez in the third heat in this second clash, and not only did it quicker—but colder, too. The Baby was so rocked-to-sleep that counting him out was a mere formality.

Other results: Sonny Gomez, Juarez (Mex.) featherweight, KO'ed DeWitt Oliver, Texas Negro, in the 4th round of a slugfest; Billy Reed, Los Angeles Negro, stopped Rito Torres of Juarez, in the first; Jimmy Rickards, 165, Los Angeles, chilled Jim Stone, San Diego, in the opening round; Luis Renteria decisioned Sal Sanchez in four.

Enrique Bolanos is having it much easier than when he was hopping bells in a Mexico City hotel. His assignments were tougher in those days, rushing ice-water up to the Duchess' room, carrying luggage, etc. These days he only has to whip guys like Harry Jeffra of Baltimore, former bantam and featherweight champion. The name of Jeffra is almost as well known as Brunswick, Pabst, Gruen, Schenley, Stetson and such old-timers, but his name might just as well have been Ignacius Pasquali Guiffi (which it really is) as far as the capacity crowd was concerned, that is, before it was over.

Jeffra went the full distance in this 10-rounder at the Los Angeles Olympic, for Harry is a cutie and still has a good pair of legs, but he was punched full of holes and considerably messed up at the finish. Jeffra, fast of foot and with a tricky overhand right, kept the first three rounds rather close, but he was catching some in the body that was sure to slow him up.

Bolanos had completely figured out his foe by the 4th round and from there on in he dished out a terrific lacing to the former two-time champion. Jeffra is tough, but he was staggered, hurt and appeared on the verge of being stopped on numerous occasions. Harry was floored in the 9th.

While Jeffra isn't a top-notcher anymore—Bolanos certainly looked like one. The Mexican boxed beautifully and punched accurately, seldom missing his shifty opponent. And Enrique kept a cool head throughout, in spite of his cagey foe resorting to every trick of the game to befuddle the Mexican. Although one-sided, the fast pace and Jeffra's ability to soak up punishment kept the bout interesting to the finish. Bolanos weighed 134. Jeffra 130.

In the four-rounders, Nick Diaz, 129, defeated Billy Reed, 127; Julio Franco, 141, outclassed Wilfred Scott, 140; Sammy Anders, 131, stopped Jimmy Pera, 128, in the second; Romero Lopez, 128, chilled Johnny Martinez, 125, in the second.

It will be noted that I made no mention of the semi-windup to the Bolanos-Jeffra go. Well, that, Mates, is a story in itself. It would require a Hollywood studio press-agent to aptly describe the action. It was a non-stop slugfest between Jeep Anderson, 131, and Pete Pacheco, 130, in which first one, then the other, was on the verge of a kayo.

Anderson floored Pete for a 7-count in the opening round. Pacheco knocked Jeep through the ropes in the second, and out into the ringside seats in the third. Then Anderson came back to outslug Pete in the late rounds to get a draw. Wow! What an ovation those kids received.

Had Matchmaker Babe McCoy announced—after this semi—that the main-event was called off, and all those who wished, could get their money back, I doubt if a single person in that crowd of 9500 would have asked for a refund. The preliminary card had been that good. McCoy has been staging some great action cards in recent months, but this one topped them all.

Melvin Johnson, 147, Chicago Negro, had too much on the ball for Alejandro Vega, 149, of Mexico, in their 10-rounder at the Ocean Park Arena. The tough, game Mexican kept boring in to the final bell, but Johnson hit him with every assortment of punch to cop eight of the rounds for an easy win.

In the semi, Al Timmons, 175, Cleveland, stopped Jack Butler, 170, Los Angeles, in the fifth round.

Other results: Henry Rich, 162, disposed of Benny Cordova, 165, in the first; Harry Wills, 170, whipped Henry Rich, 162, in four. (Yeah,

same guy, but in a much different role.) Earl Nore, 146, flattened Mike Villaneuva, 145, in the opening canto; Jack Santo, 143, chilled Billy Mitchell, 140, in two.

Those two Negroes with the educated left hands, Jack Chase (senior) and Kenny Watkins (junior), met for the third time, and in this one at the Hollywood Stadium, Chase turned the tables on his two-time conqueror, winning a close decision over Watkins. Like their previous meetings, it was a fast setto, with left jabs being the theme of the action.

Watkins didn't have quite the zip in his jabs on this night to beat the Coloradoan to the punch, and Chase was able to get in some solid rights to the head, which made the difference in their point totals. Kenny out-jabbed Chase in the first three rounds, but Jack kept stalking his young rival and in the fourth started to take the play away from Watkins. It was a stalemate at the end of the sixth, but Chase went out in front in the seventh when he staggered Kenny with some hard right-crosses to the head.

Chase also copped the eighth with the use of his right, and they dueled on even terms in the ninth. Watkins made a spurt in the final heat and shook Jack up with a few solid rights to the jaw, but his efforts fell short of tieing the score. Both these boxers are game and will slug it out when it appears to be good strategy, but neither leads with his chin, so many of the fans expressed their displeasure with the bout. I enjoyed it, but, then, I am a sucker for clever boxing. Chase weighed 168, Watkins, 160.

In the semi, Fabela Chavez, 127, Los Angeles,' promising little Mexican scrapper, punched out a decision over Bert White, 130, Chicago Negro, in six. Chavez decked White for a nine-count in the second heat. The Chicagoan made it tough for Fabela for the next three rounds, but ran out of gas in the last two.

In the remaining bouts, Fidel Aguilar, 135, was given the duke over Sammy Anders, 130, (4); George Edwards, 183, and Tony Martin, 205, drew, (4); Nick Smith, 131, chilled Tony Mendez, 126 (1); Felix Miramontes, 122, and Johnny Martinez, 122, ended up even, (4).

Jackie Ryan, 152, San Francisco, outpointed Sheik Rangel, 149, Fresno, in a lively 10-rounder at Fresno. Rangel won the early rounds, getting inside the Irishman's left jabs and beating him about the body. It appeared that Rangel would wear Ryan down by the manner he roughed Jackie up in the early rounds, but it was the Sheik who tired out first.

When Rangel slowed down at the half-way point, the clever 'Frisco boxer gave the Mexican toughie a going-over in the late rounds, copping four of the last five heats. Ryan stabbed Sheik with long lefts and nailed him with straight rights or uppercuts as he came tearing in.

Referee Jack Downey played Santa Claus to Buster Peaks, 160, Detroit, "gifting" him a decision over Phil Palestina, 156, New Orleans, in the six-round semi. Palestina had copped four of the rounds. The crowd booed long and loud.

Dave Bizieff, 195, Kerman, won by T.K.O. over Eddie Reed, 235, Fresno, in the third, when the bout was halted to save the roly-poly Negro further punishment. Bucky O'Connor, 141, Fresno, tore out at the opening bell and punched BennyCabrerra, 139, Fresno, out of the picture in 43 seconds of the opening round. Gil Romero, 144, Camp Pinedale, made Leroy Jones, 149, Rockford (Ill.), "play dead" in the second round of the opener. The house grossed $3400.

Roberto Ramirez of Mexico, and Nolan Sharp, Los Angeles Negro, battled to a bruising draw in a 10-rounder at the San Diego Coliseum. Sharp was credited with but two rounds, yet, earned the draw, for, Nolan had the Mexican down four times in those two heats. Ramirez piled up a lead in the first three rounds with a left hook. Sharp dropped Roberto twice in the fourth with powerful rights to the jaw.

Ramirez avoided Sharp's wild right to win the next two frames, but was tagged with it in the seventh for two more trips to the canvas, the bell saving him on the second knockdown. Roberto almost decked Sharp in the ninth, causing the Negro to hang on. Both were dead tired at the finish. They are heavies.

In other bouts, Kid Lester K.O.'ed Leonard Johnson in three; Sonny Hill and Frank Conti drew in six; Eddie Brent stopped Sal Sanchez in the third; Hudson Bey decisioned Lucio Beltram in four.

Well, it looks as though Father Time has moved in on Freddie Dixon, and that the Deacon may soon be spending more time reading the Bible and less punching the bag. This conclusion is based on Dixon's scrap with Bobby Lakin at the Los Angeles Olympic. Not that Dixon was stopped, for he wasn't, in fact the bout was declared a draw (this scribe thought that Lakin had a shade the best of it), but Freddie was slow and didn't seem to have his heart in it.

Lakin is shifty and tosses a lot of gloves, but I have seen Dixon take care of that kind very handily. In this go, Freddie spent much of his rest period walking slowly to his corner, and answered the bell as though he had been called upon to make a speech. And it is the first time that I have ever seen the Deacon make a retreating fight—and from a powder-puff puncher at that! In the past, Freddie always forced the issue and ran most of his opponents all over the ring. Freddie made little effort to keep Lakin from getting in close, where Bobby made hay with his two-fisted flurries.

Only in the final round did Dixon fight as of other days. He kept Lakin at arms length with stiff jabs and shook the New Yorker to his heels with straight rights to the jaw. The Deacon had Bobby hurt and stopped in his tracks during most of this final heat, which probably influenced Referee Johnny Indrisano and one of the judges to vote it a draw. Dixon weighed 150, Lakin 148.

In the semi, Fabela Chavez, 129, was much too good for Pee Wee Lewis, 128, Baltimore Negro. Lewis made a fight of it, but the game little trial horse was dropped in the second and punched dizzy at the final bell.

In the remaining prelims, Al Escobar, 129, K.O.'ed Ramiro Lopez, 130, (3); Baldy Duke, 202, won by T.K.O. over Casey O'Hara, 190, because of cut eye (3); Rudy Turner, 154, iced Mickey Hern, 147, (2); Billy Reed, 125, defeated Freddie Hernandez, 120, (4).

Bobby Seamon, Los Angeles veteran middleweight, making his first start in three years, had enough bad luck to warrant him going back into retirement. Seamon fought eight tough rounds with Roy Miller, Kansas City Negro, at the Ocean Park Arena, and in the ninth was hit low and couldn't continue. Referee Johnny Indrisano ruled it no-contest. Not so tough, did you say? Well, in such instances, the Commission rules that the contestants must fight it all over before they can be paid. Each weighed 163.

Other results: Jimmy Rickards, 164, K.O.'ed Spencer Coleman, 161, in the fourth; Earl Nore, 146, stiffened Mickey Hern, 148, in the first; Dan Hickey, 156, decisioned Johnny Ramirez, 152, in four; Manuel Reveles, 148, making his first professional start, belted out Al Garcia, 146, in the opening round; Richard Mendoza, 130, defeated Tony Mendez, 129, in four.

Regino Aquila of Mexico made short work of Al Coutoure of Lewiston, Me. (via San Francisco) in their scheduled 10-rounder at the Hollywood Stadium, stopping the fighting Frenchman in the third round. Coutoure started out well and was outpointing the Mexican in the opening round until Aguila parked a right on Al's jaw that sent him reeling into the ropes. Regino moved in and landed another right that put Coutoure down, where he was at the count of five when the gong ended the round.

Coutoure came out in the second as though nothing had happened, to win the round by a shade. Apparently not liking this boxing business, Aguila tore out in the third frame to make it a give-and-take affair, and he did very well at it. A series of punches to the head put Coutoure in the resin for a nine-count, and he was badly punched around when he regained his feet. Referee Charley Randolph stopped the bout when the Frenchman was in a dazed condition and unable to defend himself. Aguila weighed 146, Coutoure, 148.

Roscoe Scally, 132, Pasadena Negro, stopped Juan Zapata, 131, Mexico, in the fourth round of an exciting semi-windup. It was a slugging setto, in which Scally, former Golden Gloves champ, packed the heavier artillery.

In the four-rounders, Jess Salazar, 132, decisioned Pete Pacheco, 128; Eddie Mosette, 153, nodded Fugio Escobedo, 146; Babe Boniface, 145, won from Paul Lassiter, 141; Freddie Hernandez, 120, whipped Johnny Martinez, 122.

Long Beach is again on the professional boxing circuit. Small time, of course. Tod ("Kid Mexico") Faulkner is staging bouts at the Municipal Auditorium there. In the first pro card to be staged in the Iowan's Haven in over two years, Joey Alvano, 128, San Pedro, defeated Battling Rosendo, 125, Watts, in a six rounder.

Charley Figarelli, San Pedro bantam, made his professional debut an auspicious one by stopping ChuChu Quate in the first round of the semi.

Johnny Martinez, 122, decisioned Roosevelt Bonner in a four-round special.

In the first 12-round contest ever staged in Fresno, Abel Lucero, 130, local pride, evened the score with Walter ("Cabey") Lewis, 128, Brooklyn, by winning the unanimous decision. Lewis had stopped Lucero at Oakland a few months ago. Lucero made the best fight of his career, showing much improvement under the recent training of Billy Mahoney.

Both fighters were hurt by right hand punches on numerous occasions, but Lucero weathered them best and always came back to take the play away from the Brooklyn Negro. Abel jabbed nicely and made Lewis' knees sag a few times with well-timed uppercuts to the chin.

In the two feature six-rounders, Julio Franco, 140, Bakersfield, added to his winning string by stopping Phillipe Gastillo, 142, Mexico, in the first round; Bucky O'Connor, 142, Fresno, defeated Gil Romero, 145, Pinedale.

Matchmaker Babe McCoy chose Rene DeLeon to act as the "reception committee" to John Thomas' home-coming. It was an ideal selection, as DeLeon is known as "the one-man gang" and it was certain that he would give Thomas a rousing time of it. Of course, Rene isn't really in the same league with John when the Negro boxer is in top form, but the Mexican slugger is plenty of competition for a fellow who hasn't had a fight in nearly a year.

DeLeon, swings continually and punches hard in a longshoreman-sort-of-way, so, he made it miserable for Thomas, and very interesting for the customers. However, John reads better books than Rene does, and most of the Mexican's windmilling did what windmills invariably do—stir up the air—while Thomas had trouble missing DeLeon. Rene had a shade in the opening round, fought the Negro on even terms in the next two frames, and lambasted John plenty in the fourth. (DeLeon is doing okeh, isn't he?)

But that was the Mexican mauler's last healthy round. Thomas made Rene miss badly in the fifth, countered nicely and slowed DeLeon down to a walk. John really went to town in the sixth. He staggered Rene with solid rights, backed him into a corner and hit him with everything in the English language. Thomas was giving DeLeon another leather massage in the seventh when Referee Frankie Van halted it, awarding the bout to John on a T.K.O. The Mexican protested, and I, too, believe the ref was a bit hasty, for this DeLeon is a tough hombre and would have probably been in there still heaving leather at the end of ten rounds. Thomas, with only three weeks' training after ten months off, came in heavy at 144. DeLeon weighed 145.

In the semi, Joe Alvano, 126, won the unanimous decision over Battling Rosendo, 122, in a six-round slugging bee, but most of the crowd didn't seem to think so. The fans booed for fully 15 minutes. Rosendo spilled Alvano for a nine-count in the third, and draped him over the ropes in the fourth, but the blow was a foul one. Alvano staggered the Mexican on numerous occasions.

In the four-rounders: Julio Franco, 140, easily whipped Wilfred Scott, 141; Billy Peterson, 153, and Bruce Wayne, 145, drew; Johnny Myers, 154, was given an unpopular decision over Ossie Lewis, 151; Homer McGrew, 165, bested Jimmy Rickards, 165.

Probably because San Diego is on the waterfront, many of the scrappers appearing there use the Coliseum as a back-alley. And since the fans love it, it puts the referee who knows the rules (few of them do), and try to enforce them (fewer still)—in a bad spot. The most recent of these brawls was a go between Juan Zapata, 130, of Mexico, and Torito Ramos, 135, Tia Juana, in which Zapata won by T.K.O. in the fifth round.

Other results: Eddie Brent, much too heavy for Luis Renteria, punched out a decision, (6); Henry Young defeated Rito Torres, (6); Flash Gordon beat Al Garcia, (4); Frank Smith and Hudson Bey fought a draw, (4).

Bobby Lakin, flashy, fast-punching Negro of New York, outpointed Lige Drew, Negro veteran of San Diego, in a 10-rounder at the Hollywood Stadium. The contest, while not so bad (many of the fans thought it was and expressed themselves accordingly), was anything but exciting. Lakin is all action, but lacks punching power, so, his stuff loses its lustre before the evening is over. And Drew fought as though there was no future in the job.

Lige carried the fight to Lakin in the early rounds, but Bobby proved to be an elusive target and Drew began to lose interest in his chore. After a few rounds, Lige fought only in spurts, tossing a few heavy punches which either went in the river, or didn't appear to pain the New Yorker any when they did land. In the late rounds, Drew offered little resistance and Lakin showered him with leather pellets. When Bobby's blows became too monotonous, Lige tied him up. Lakin weighed 150, Drew 146.

The six-round semi-windup was a good fight. Roscoe Scally, 133, Pasadena Negro, defeated Freddie Taylor, 133, Denver. It was a hard fought go all the way, but Scally's heavier punching won him five of the rounds.

In the prelims, Fugio Escobedo, 148, won by T.K.O. over Ossie Lewis, 150, in the third, due to a cut eye; Bob Hawkins, 162, decisioned Bob Castro, 164, in four; Les Arterbridge, 161, stopped Dick Bird, 164, in two; Johnny Martinez, 121, bested Bobby Molina, 116, in four.

It was a case of love's labor lost when Roman Starr, 161, Oklahoma, and Gilbert Whiteside, 155, Los Angeles Negro, met in a rematch at the Ocean Park Arena. They started slugging at the opening bell and were doing it furiously when the bout had to be halted in the third and called a draw because both were cut so badly.

In supporting bouts, Harry Wills, 175, Fort Wayne (Ind.), decisioned Al Timmons, 178, Cleveland, (6); Jimmy Rickards, 165, whipped Henry Rich, 163, (4); Willie Jones, 139, defeated Paul Lassiter, 141, (4); Johnny Verdusco, 135, beat Sal Victor, 131, (4); Johnny Martinez, 120, decisioned Ran Jan, 118, (4).

The rating of California boxers this month has taken up too much space for me to insert my usual Notes, or answer any of the inquiries received during the month. Will answer by letter all those who enclosed a stamped, self-addressed envelope with their inquiries. And I would be pleased to hear from any managers or boxers contemplating a trip to the Pacific Coast. The address is Harry E. Winkler, 1231 N. June St., Hollywood 38, Cal.

IN SAN FRANCISCO RINGS

By ROBERT VALLI

ABEL CESTAC, Luis Firpo's big protege from Argentina, made a hit in his Pacific Coast debut by halting Hal Blackshear, Frisco Negro heavyweight, in the first at the Oakland Auditorium. The broad-shouldered Argentine made short work of his experienced foe, having him down twice. Blackshear was floored soon after the opening gong from a hard left hook to the jaw, but managed to rise without taking a count. Apparently in a complete fog, Blackshear stood helpless as Cestac threw an avalanche of punches before Referee Toby Irwin halted the scrap. The time was one minute and ten seconds of round one.

Cestac scaled 222, Blackshear 206.

In the semi-final, Joe Louis, Heavyweight Champ, refereed a six-rounder between Jack Hannon Porter, 178, and Doug Ellison, 185, Negro heavyweights. Louis gave the duke to Ellison.

Johnny Ebarb, 189, returned service man, who made good with the gloves while in khaki, won his first pro debut by stopping Marvin Baker, 192, in the first round of a sixer.

In the fours, Nate Huskey, 137, outpointed Boykin Bourgoise, 139. Al Rivers, 152, and Young Corbett IV, 147, went to a fast draw. Corbett was floored twice.

Duane Everett, and Buster Peakes, two hard fighting middleweights, went to a draw in six rounds at San Jose's Civic Auditorium.

Other results: Paul Guerrero, local southpaw, decisioned Billy Christian of Oakland in four. Welterweights: Vepe Watson, Oakland Negro, won over ageing Henry Paz, local veteran, in four. Middleweights: Billy Carlisle, San Francisco, kayoed Vic Reyes, lightweights, in three.

Little Frankie Moore, Oakland Negro, scored a big upset when he kayoed highly-touted Mike Delia, in two rounds at National Hall.

Delia, a hard-socking Italian, was a big favorite and why not? He had fought the best in the business. Frankie, who this corner thinks could be among the best if not for laziness, outfought Mike in the first and dropped him in the second for the full count.

Weights were, Moore, 135½, Delia, 132½.

Prelims: Nate Huskey, 135, decisioned Joe Gibson, 135½, in six rounds. Huskey easily outboxed his opponent; Al Evans 151, and Eddie Mahoney, 150, fought a hard draw in four; Rufus Knight, 173, stopped Jerry Taylor, 165, in two.

Youthful Tommy Egan, fast rising Irish welter, scored an impressive ninth round kayo over Ross Romero, Livermore veteran, at the Oakland Auditorium.

It was nip and tuck for seven rounds, but in the eighth it became evident Egan was the better boy. He cut Romero's eye badly, and it bled.

In the semi-final, Al Botano, Eastern middleweight, continued his winning ways by defeating Billy Harrison, San Francisco Negro, in six rounds.

The fours: Nate Huskey won over Al Garcia easily; Paul Jackson, awkward Negro, won over Frank Lombardo, K.O. Janic's charge, in four. Jackson is a veteran with main-event experience, while Lombardo was having his first fight in four years. This probably was the difference in the decision; Vepe Watson, Oakland Negro, won over Roy Slider in four.

The old clown, Newsboy Millich, Sacramento heavy, scored a tremendous upset by kayoing Abel Cestac, big South American importee, in three rounds at Sacramento's L St. Arena. Cestac had Millich a little groggy from rights to the jaw in the third, when suddenly Newsboy uncorked a hard right which found its mark perfectly and it was curtains for the South American, Mr. Cestac.

Billy Harrison, Billy Rose's action-plus battler, suffered his second setback in three days as Bobby Ferris, Negro Los Angeles welter, won on a kayo in the seventh at National Hall. Ferris, a pretty fair fighter, had previously been flattened in a round by Lincoln Stanley at Civic.

Lloyd Marshall, leading contender for the 175 pound title, won going away from Nate Bolden, Chicago veteran, in a ten-rounder at the Civic Auditorium. Bolden was floored twice, once in the ninth and again in the tenth. On both occasions Bolden was saved by the bell. Weights were Lloyd 170. Bolden 170. House grossed $7780.

In the semi-final, Ritchie Shinn, Korean Purple-Heart winner, scored a six-round decision over Shamus McCrea, Los Angeles Negro. Shinn, a promising lightweight, who was making his first pro bout since being released from the service, won every round and had his opponent on the verge of a knockout in the sixth.

Art Lind, 160, and Bobby Silva, 155, battled six-rounds to a draw. Lind was down for eight seconds in the fourth.

Earl Turner, Oakland's pre-war gate magnet, won back much of the prestige he lost in the Chet Slider fight, by winning a close, hard-fought decision over Paul Lewis, wartime gate attraction, in a bruising ten-heater at the Oakland Auditorium.

Lewis received a bad cut on his left eye. Lewis scaled 155, Turner 150.

A collection was taken up for the widow of Booker T. Washington, Negro boxer, who died in the Oakland ring recently. The amount collected reached $5,180 of which $1,000 was given by the promoters. Aside from this collection Silent Escobar, Washington's opponent at his fatal fight though it was not his fault, contributed his complete share of the bout, over $500.

Prelims: Billy Mayfield, middleweight, kayoed Al Rivers, a newcomer, in four; Billy Peterson, 156, and Tony Petro, 152, went to a fast draw; Vepe Watson, 156½, knocked out Chris Clark, 159, in the semi-final; Babe Picazo, 141, TKO'd Teddy Guerrero, 139, in one; Buster Peakes, 161, halted Bobby Jones, 155, in three.

Joe Louis, World's Heavyweight Champion, looked convincing in boxing a four-round exhibition in San Francisco's Civic Auditorium. Louis sparred two rounds with "Sugar Hip" Robinson, and two with "Big Boy" Brown. At 216, the Brown Bomber didn't look too far off trim.

Other bouts on the card: Richie Shinn, 134½, making his second bout, outclassed Walter "Cabey" Lewis, 131½, in six. Nate Huskey, 136, edged Paul Guerrero, 138, in four. Frank Lombardo, 206, was held by Marvin Baker, 190, in a four-round draw.

Jess Flores, outstanding Young lightweight, who is unbeaten in some twenty scraps, added another name to his list of victims, by defeating Walter "Cabey" Lewis, Brooklyn Negro, in ten rounds at San Jose's Civic Auditorium.

Flores had an edge in every round and scored four knockdowns to boost his lead.

Prelims: Jimmy Simmons, middleweight, decisioned Buster Peakes, Detroit Negro, in six; Bobby Silva, middleweight, and Alec Vega went to a four-round draw; Bobby Wyman, welterweight, defeated Bobby Irish in four.

Billy Smith, State light-heavyweight champ, successfully defended his title by scoring a knockout over Buddy Millard Negro veteran, in eight rounds at the Oakland Auditorium. Though he won and was fighting before a "home" crowd, Smith was jeered continuously for his foul tactacs. He threw low punches frequently and this corner believes that to be the main factor in his kayo victory. Buddy was badly banged up by Smith's foul tactics and finally flattened from body blows.

Weights were, Smith, 170; Buddy, 169.

In the semi-windup, Ernie Rios, Los Angeles heavy, and Charley Johnson, L. A. Negro, went to a bruising draw in eight rounds.

Nate Huskey, Dolph Thomas' fine lightweight, won another in decisioning Babe Picazo, San Francisco, in six.

Tommy Egan, 151, San Francisco Irisher, banged out a ten-round nod over Rocky Luciano, rough and tough eastern lad, in a sensational scrap at the Civic Auditorium. The boys put on a thriller. Rocky scaled 155.

Semi-windup: Tiny Lee, 267 pound giant, won a technical knockout over Johnny Ebarb, 190, outstanding young heavy, in four rounds of a sixer. Tiny won when Ebarb received a bad cut over his eye.

In another six, Doug Ellison, Oakland Negro, decisioned Paul Jackson, southpaw heavyweight.

Frank Lombardo, 212, and Marvin Baker, 188, went four to a draw. Carl Olson, 163, a fine looking lad, stopped Art Robinson, 160, in four.

Paulie Peters, San Francisco middleweight, and Chester Slider, Oakland buzzsaw, battled to a terrific draw at the Oakland Auditorium. The referee voted for Slider, while one judge gave the nod to Peters and the other called it a draw. Weights were, Peters, 156; Slider, 148.

In the semi-windup, Verne Bybee, the Brisbane Buzzsaw, made his first comeback battle since being discharged from the Navy, won a TKO over Shamus McCrea, Los Angeles Negro, in the seventh of an eight-rounder. Verne won every round except the first, which was even. Referee Jimmy Duffy stopped the fight when Shamus stood helpless from a body barrage.

In a six-rounder, Al Botano, 150, won over Top Row Allen, 150, in a good fight. The verdict wasn't popular, but Botano had an edge.

In the opener, Marvin Baker, 190, won a four-round decision over Edwin Keller, 181.

The World's Heavyweight Champ, Joe Louis, was the first battler to floor big Robin "Tiny" Lee, 265 pound giant. He did it in an exhibition bout at Sacramento's Arena. Joe boxed two sessions with Lee, and two with Big Boy Brown. In the second pair of rounds, Louis threw a barrage of blows at Tiny, but managed to finish in good style.

In the main-event, Elwood Romero, 120, Sacramento, scored a seventh round technical knockout over Jerry Abosola, 122, Honolulu, in a tenner. The ref halted the bout on a cut eye.

Prelims: Billy Mayfield, 152, decisioned Jimmy Simmons, 151, in four; Al Martinez, 133, defeated Baby Santiago, 132, in four; Baby Picazo, 147, TKO'd Bobby Irish, 147, in three.

Short Jabs: Some fans still want to know: "Has Millich developed a glass jaw?" or "Has Millich developed a punch?" We believe the former is right. . . . Eddie Booker, outstanding middleweight, who was forced to retire, because of failing eyesight, is now training two young middleweights. Both are amateurs, but they show promise. Their names are Charlie Hollins and Frank Peoples. . . . This writer's name is Bob Valli, 1910 Mason Street, San Francisco 11, Calif.

LATE FIGHT RESULTS

(Heavyweights)

Tami Mauriello knocked out Henry Cooper, 7. Abel Cestac knocked out Newsboy Millich, 4. Tony Gillo outpointed Indian Gomez, 8. Jackie Cranford knocked out Charley Lomski, 2. Cranford kayoed Mike Enrick, 2. George Millich beat Wee Willie Williams, 6.

(Light-heavyweight)

Baby Ace Clark drew with Dula Kovach, 6. Archie Moore knocked out Colion Chaney, 5. Alex Rebark outpointed Al Pinel, 6. Billy Eck outpointed Danny Aldrich, 6.

(Middleweights)

Bee Bee Washington knocked out Berlie Lanier, 6. Jimmy Taylor knocked out Charley Segura, 5. Buddy Brown knocked out Johnny Sarno, 2. Ray Spurlock knocked out Harold Thomas, 4. Jimmy Richards knocked out Len Johnson. Leonard Johnson knocked out Les Arterbridge, 2. Kid Tunero drew with Gentle Daniel, 10. Jimmy Hill knocked out Henry Kid Robinson, 4. Clarence Wilkinson knocked out George Slater, 3. Jack Dumont knocked out Steve Fox, 3. Horace Bailey knocked out Sonny Keogh, 1. Bobby Jones outpointed Jimmy Simmons, 4. Irish Bob Flannigan knocked out Art Morris, 4. Stanley Derr outpointed Buster Hardy, 6. Joe Evans outpointed Jim McVey, 4.

(Welterweights)

Major Jones outpointed Bill Grier, 8. Joey Falco knocked out Sam Justina, 2. Laverne Roach knocked out Jimmy Grimes, 1. Al Botano outpointed Charley O'Kelly, 6. Vert Gibson knocked out Vince Gambill, 5. Jackie Alexander knocked out Eddie Vincent, 1. Harry Preston knocked out Pat Murray, 2. Charley Hilton knocked out Lew Perez. Art Bethea knocked out Kid Ward, 1. Jimmy McGriff knocked out Joey Murphy, 4. Lennox Dingle outpointed Smuggy Hursey, 8. Dave Riley outpointed Sparky Reynolds, 8. Bob Simmons outpointed Bobby McIntyre, 10. Beau Jack outpointed Willie Joyce, 10. Neva Esparza outpointed Jimmy McDaniels, 10. Harry Hurst knocked out Jerry Zullo, 1. Joe Carey knocked out Lou Burke, 2. Art Morris knocked out Jimmy Mooney, 2. Jimmy Mills knocked out Freddie Patterson, 2. Ottie Graham outpointed McCoy Jones, 6. Charley Howard knocked out Ralph Griffin, 1. Jesse Lang knocked out Lew Phillips, 3. Jimmy Scouten outpointed Pete Pauline, 4. Frankie Sando won foul from Andy Hetlan, 2. Burl Charity outpointed Lou Angelo, 6. Leo Romanello outpointed Johnny Rinaldi, 6. Jimmy Mooney knocked out Joe Gillis, 1. Howard Brodt knocked out Leon Kennedy, 1.

(Lightweights)

Julie Kogon knocked out Frankie Donato, 6. Pat Demers outpointed Joe Celetti, 10. Tommy Mills outpointed Eddie Smith, 8. Tim Dalton outpointed Al Highers, 8. George Martin outpointed Joe Marmo, 4. Willie Bowen outpointed Shamus McCrea, 4. Steve Bellus outpointed Walter Gomes, 6. Eddie Moran outpointed Chick Jones, 4. Al Haley outpointed Pete Noka, 4. Bernie Cady knocked out Dick Manning. 1. Chalky Wright outpointed Johnny Bratton, 10. Corky Davis outpointed Ernie Cabral. 10. Fidel Rivera outpointed Rene Cantero, 8. Oscar St. Pierre knocked out Nick Restano, 5. Gus Mell outpointed Al Guido, 10.

Larry Cisneros outpointed Eddie Hudson, 10. Richie Shinn outpointed Humberto Sierra, 10. Arthur Price outpointed Billy Smith, 6. Johnny Fry knocked out Johnny Fees, 4. Joe Disoso outpointed Tony Foto, 4. Anthony Arnone outpointed Henry Hosch, 4. George Taix knocked out Pete Laurent, 3. Archie Stock outpointed Benny Daniels, 6. Jimmy Esposito outpointed Ellsworth Simley, 4. Ray Miller outpointed Velmond White. Bill Richardson knocked out Willie Spence, 1. Bill Butler outpointed Kid Lewis, 4. Lenny Richards outpointed Bob Johnson, 6. Danny Triolo drew with Teddy Parks, 4. Lou Burke outpointed Johnny Parvia, 4. LeRoy Willis knocked out Luther Johnson, 4. Frank Palermo beat Lou Prince, 4.

(Featherweights)

Benny May knocked out Warren Dean, 6. Louis Langley outpointed Archie Devino, 6. Nick Smith knocked out Chuck Edwards, 3. Johnny Douglas outpointed Jimmy Corti, 6. Rocky Figerille knocked out Felix Miramontes, 2.

Willie Pep drew with Jimmy McAllister, 10. Jackie Graves outpointed Jimmy Joyce, 8. Tiger Flowers drew with Dynamite Jim, 10. Gene LaBlanc outpointed Tony Ferry, 8. Spider Armstrong outpointed Walter (Cabey) Lewis, 10. Willie Weasel outpointed Richie Myershiro, 8. Johnny Fulton outpointed Midget Mayo, 6. Tommy Monty knocked out Al Cella, 3. Danny Weber knocked out Pat Henehan, 2. Billy Gilliam outpointed Ossie Peguese, 5. Joe Saddler outpointed Joe Montiero, 8. Sammy Zera outpointed Gene Howell, 4. Danny Carabella outpointed Davey Allen, 6.

(Bantamweights)

Frankie Rivera knocked out Jimmy Young, 1. Howard Jackson knocked out Vic Dorsey, 5. K.O. Salandy outpointed Alex Fantine, 4. George Junior outpointed Bill Swoboda, 4.

Nat Fleischer Says:

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things unethical in sports. With some he got away, and for other shortcomings he was severely penalized. But no matter what might be said against him, the public flocked to the arena in great numbers every time it was announced that he would fight. His socking powers, like those of Rocky Graziano, swayed the fans in his favor. They love to see a hitter and in Davis, they got one of the highest order.

Even the gunmen who put him in his grave, can testify to that. Held up by three armed thugs in a saloon robbery, Bummy pleaded in vain for the gunmen to leave quietly and when the shooting began, he showed extreme courage by sailing single-handed, unarmed except with Nature's weapons, into the nearest thug and sent him sprawling with a well-directed clout to the jaw. But it was the most costly blow Bummy ever drove home for it cost him his life. A bullet shot him down in his tracks, but even with death rapidly approaching, Davis wouldn't give in. He chased after the thugs until he dropped dead.

Bummy Davis had won his last fight!

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OUR heartiest congratulations to James J. Johnston, veteran fight promoter, manager and story teller who recently celebrated his seventieth birthday. Jimmy, who has been through all stages of the fight game, carries his age well. Youthful looking, without a grey hair, Johnston goes about his daily routine with the same snap and vigor as he did when he leased the old Garden many years ago for general sports promotion. He never grows old.

Of all the stories told about Johnston, the one from which I get the greatest kick, is about his meeting with Al Capone. Johnston had take Johnny Dundee to East Chicago, Ind., to box Sammy Mandell at a time when the gangsters were running rampant through the Mid-west and when Al Capone ruled the roost as the King of the Bootlegging Mob.

Loquacious Jimmy, who at the time in 1923, had taken over the management of Dundee, decided that the bout needed a little extra publicity and when it comes to ballyhoo, there is only one man in boxing who ever had anything on Jimmy—the Old Master, Jack Kearns. Jimmy called in the scribes following a short workout Dundee had taken at a local gym, and declared that unless Dundee's guarantee of $10,000 was given to Johnston just before Dundee entered the ring, there would be no fight. He didn't think the promoter would take his bluff seriously, yet to Johnston's astonishment, as Dundee started down the aisle, the $10,000 was turned over to Jimmy.

The little manager was flabbergasted. He had heard about the strong-arm methods of the Chicago gangsters and here he was, with ten grand in his kick. What to do with the money, was a puzzle.

To protect it against theft, he tied it in a handkerchief, placed it in his pocket and with a safety pin, secured it. The fight went along for the full ten rounds, with Jimmy sitting through the affair nervously expectant. A sigh of relief came to him as the bell sounded, but it was a short one, for as Jimmy got out of his chair, he felt a jolt at his side. He turned his head but instead of seeing the muzzle of a gun pressed into his side, it was a reporter who told him it would be to his advantage to make a quick exit.

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"ASK no questions, Jimmy," he advised, "but beat it quickly."

Not needing a second hint, Jimmy whispered the news to his brother Charley and beat a hasty retreat through a rear exit.

While crossing the parking lot, he was halted by the driver of a big black limousine.

"Going my way, Jimmy?" asked the newcomer. "I'm headed for Chicago. Hop in."

Jimmy didn't need a second order. He knew what that language meant in the early twenties in Chicago and in he went for it was an order and not an invitation!

They drove rapidly with neither saying a word. Johnston was perspiring with fear. He was uncertain. Should he turn over the ten grand to the driver, or wait until he asked for it. Jimmy figured that he was being taken for a ride and that any minute would be his last.

But he was mistaken. Suddenly the car pulled up to the curb in front of the hotel where Jimmy was stopping.

"Here we are Jimmy," said the newly found friend.

Out went Johnston and as he alighted, in gratitude, Johnston remarked:

"May I know your name? Next time I'm out here with a fighter, I'd like to look you up and have you as my guest."

"Almost anyone here in Chicago will tell you where to find me. My name is Al Capone."

Jimmy almost dropped. "Capone, did you say?

"Well, I'll be damned. Al, I've heard a lot about you, but I'm still wondering why you took the trouble to take me out here."

"I heard you were going to be tapped," replied Al, "so I thought I'd protect you before the boys got you."

"That's one for the books," said Jimmy, as he told the story to the scribes upon his return to New York.

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OUR congratulations also to Ed Foster, Coordinator and Advisor of the Boxing Commission of Rhode Island, who a few weeks ago celebrated his twentieth year as a commissioner. Foster took the helm when Rhode Island legalized boxing and has been with it since. He and General Phelan of the New York Commission, are the oldest members of a commission from point of service. Foster for a time was president of the National Boxing Association, of which he was one of the organizers.

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WITH all of the champions now back in harness, 1946 should be the most active in many years, so far as championship bouts are concerned. Already Joe Louis is booked to fight Billy Conn for the heavyweight crown.

Gus Lesnevich will engage in two warm-up fights against Joe Kahut in Portland, Oregon, in January, and against Bruce Woodcock in England in February. Then he will be ready to defend his light heavyweight title.

In the middleweight division, Tony Zale started training recently and expects to be ready for his return to the ring shortly.

Freddie Cochrane has signed to fight Marty Servo in a title bout with the winner to defend the crown in May against Ray Robinson, our No. 1 contender.

As for the lightweights. Bob Montgomery, the New York supported champion, has been discharged from the Army because of an injured back and is expected to defend his crown against Ike Williams, the N.B.A. title holder. Willie Pep, feather king, has already defended his title once in 1945. He will take on another championship bout early in 1946, with Sal Bartolo probably being his opponent.

The title bouts are under way! Watch them grow in 1946!

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At Ocean Park, California, the shortest official draw fight on record took place on December 4, with Mike Belloise, veteran New York featherweight, and Arturo Barron of Los Angeles, the contestants. In the opening round an accidental butt opened one of Barron's eyes and under the California rules, Referee Mushy Callahan, forced to halt the bout, signalled it a draw.

Willie Pep

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championship bout of the year, and to Bernard Docusen, the Louisiana title-holder. He beat Leroy Willis, Michigan champion, in ten rounds.

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WITH Manuel Ortiz out of the service, things are sure to place him again in the bantam division because he is an active champion. Since his release, he has fought five times and won all of his bouts. He stopped Bert White in seven rounds and beat Baby Gonzales, Little Giant, Jose Andreas and Proctor Heinold to retain his high position. Benny Goldberg, fighting better than ever, is next. He had five fights and won each. He stopped Pancho Arizmendi and gained decisions over Lorenzo Safora, Luis Castillo, Pedro Ramirez and Eli Golindo.

The man who rates next is Luis Castillo. Luis engaged in eight contests, four of which were with Tony Olivera, California's star bantam. Castillo lost the first bout in fifteen rounds, drew twice in fifteen, then beat Olivera in ten. He lost to Jackie Graves and Benny Goldberg, beat Lorenzo Safora, and knocked out Larry Bolvin.

The next rated boxer is Tony Olivera, California's star bantam. In ten contests he lost only one, to Jackie Graves, Minneapolis feather, and he drew twice in fifteen-round bouts with Luis Castillo. He stopped Ceferino Robleto, Pancho Arizmendi and Jorge Robles.

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JACKIE PATERSON continues to head the flyweights, though at times he scales up to 120 pounds. He holds the British Empire fly and bantam crowns and can make the weight in the lower class.

He has a close rival in Theo Medina, the fly and bantam champion of France, who trounced Jackie a few weeks ago. Medina won from Rene Merget in twelve, Jackie Paterson in ten, Van Houche in ten and E. Famechon in twelve. He stopped C. Dormont, two; E. Ferraro, eleven; M. Sandeyron, nine; Tournefier, three.

A Night at Albert Hall

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Promoter Jack Solomons, who has taken the lease on Albert Hall, has access to boxing promotions in Dublin, Paris and any outdoor venue which is open for boxing promotions. Solomons seems to qualify as the gambling type of boxing promoter, and his entire life has consisted of one gamble after another. He has been in various business enterprises, a boxing manager, a bookmaker, and has been in the boxing game for a good many years.

There is a difference between being a sucker and a good fellow. Solomons is a good fellow without being the proverbial sucker, and anyone who identifies him as such will be the loser in the long run. He does not believe in contracts and closes matches verbally or by a handshake.

Besides the dignitaries of the Army, Navy and Air Forces, there were the customary celebrities of the fight game.

Jimmy Wilde, reporting for *News of the World,* was in his customary ringside, while Elky Clarke, Flyweight champion of the early '20s, was there representing a Glasgow newspaper. Tom Webster, brilliant cartoonist, was back in his stride on the *Empire News;* Frank Butler, boxing critic for the *London Express,* and his dad, Jimmy Butler, one of the old school, represented the *London Herald.* Norman Hurst, well known in the States, is a syndicate writer for the Kemsley Newspaper Syndicate. Geoffrey Simpson covered *The Mail,* and Herald Walter was there as *News Chronicle* reporter.

Boxing will continue to flourish in England so long as the standard of boxing continues on the high level which it enjoys at present. Today Jack Solomons is riding the crest as England's premier boxing promoter. Sammy Burns, the Nat Rogers of London, is responsible for the matches and all the customary headaches which attend the life of a boxing matchmaker.

They've Made Good in 1945

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awaiting demobilization at some processing center, an earnest amateur boxer, or four-round prelim boy, or even a natural pugilist in far-off Russia will come roaring out of nowhere to thrill and captivate the hearts of fight fans everywhere during 1946.

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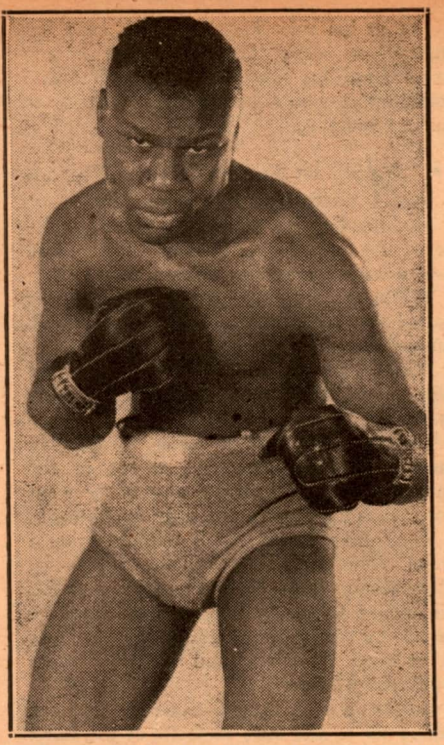
ONE of the leading drawing cards in the smaller clubs in the New York area is a skinny, six-foot, socking Irish lightweight of 19, who is undefeated in 17 professional bouts. Eddie Murphy is his name.

Eddie Murphy, fighting his first star bout on November 6, 1945, after running up a string of 15 straight victories, sold out the house at the White Plains County Center, drawing a gross gate of $6480! Eddie scored a one-round knockout over Freddie Yeager. In his 17th start, he again crowded the Center to capacity, and kept his undefeated slate clean by stopping Fred Bernard in three heats.

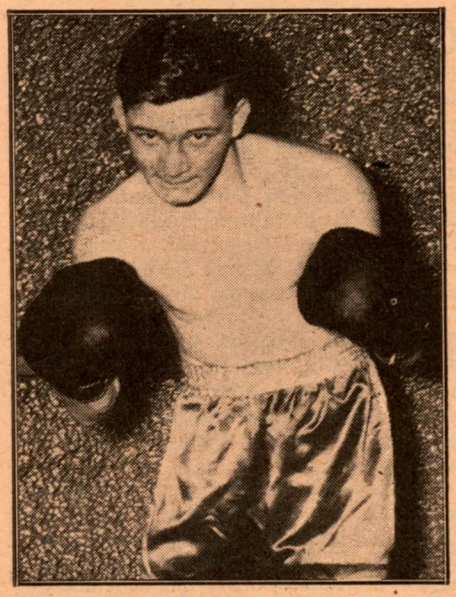


George "Wildcat" Henry, latest middleweight sensation, who has made a hit with New England fans.

A former amateur champion, born in the Bronx, New York, November 14, 1926, this hollow-chested kayo artist throws rapier-like punches. As a simon pure he won 37 out of 40 contests. Eddie reversed two of his losses but never could lure his third conqueror into a ring for a return go.

Strangely enough, Murphy once studied for the priesthood! He was a student at the St. Nicholas of Tolentine High School and then studied at Holy Cross Seminary in South Bend, Ind., with the intention of becoming a priest.

"I'll tell you how I happened to become a boxer," Murphy explained as he dried himself after a stiff workout. "I joined the Catholic Youth Organization and began to learn to box. Pete Mello took me under his wing and taught me all I know about the sport. I entered an amateur tournament in June, 1943, and won. Well, I guess the boxing bug infected me from then on."



Timothy "Buddy" Hayes, a New England fighter, who has revived interest in the sport by his sensational fighting.

After copping the 1945 Golden Gloves lightweight title, Eddie turned pro under the direction of Tex Sullivan, who manages Lee Oma. Pete Mello is still Murphy's trainer.

Although he has already carved a niche among the younger lightweights, Eddie Murphy is a potential heavyweight threat. His six-foot physique is not yet fully developed, and the Bronx Irishman is still growing.

A level-headed, intelligent fellow, Murphy has not altogether forsaken his education. He still attends Drake Evening High School in New York.

"In This Cornah"

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Edwards were the principals. Needless to say, Harry came through with flying colors.

Harry Balogh's first big-time opportunity presented itself at the Yankee Stadium on a balmy June night in 1935. A young Negro from Detroit, Joe Louis by name, climbed through the ropes for his first fistic appearance in New York against the giant Italian ex-heavyweight champion, Primo Carnera. That was the year Mussolini's Italian hordes had overrun Ethiopia. Race riots had broken out in the sections of Harlem thickly populated with Italians and Negroes. A foreboding tension gripped the ballpark that Babe Ruth built. Policemen clutched nervously at their nightsticks.

However, they reckoned without Harry Balogh who saved the day. Batting his heavy eyelids as if troubled with a great secret sorrow, he pleaded with the assemblage of 80,000 Americans to remember the fine principles and traditions of American sportsmanship. ". . . . so conspicuous of you that it has made us world famous, and by that I mean, that I sincerely hope and trust that the thought in your mind, and the feeling in your heart shall be — that regardless of race, creed or color, may the better man win!"

After the cheering and whistling had died down, the Brown Bomber bowed in auspiciously before a New York fight crowd by slapping Carnera silly, and stopping him in the sixth heat. Harry's enthusiastic expostulations have saved many another show. His fluent Spanish before a packed house of peppery Puerto Ricans in a Harlem arena featuring their countryman, Pedro Montanez, brought down the house with cries of "Bueno, Balogh, Bueno!"

Nevertheless, Harry will have to go some to top his latest laugh-provoking tangle with the king's English which convulsed a crowd at the St. Nicholas Arena recently. While a group of pretty maidens from the A.W.V.S. stood primly poised waiting to take up a collection for one of the neediest war funds, Harry seriously, and in his usual stentorian fashion intoned, "These girls will soon pass among you with their little cans. Give 'til it hurts!"

A boxing show couldn't be complete without Harry Balogh's eloquence and witty repartee.

BROADCAST FROM NEW YORK

By IRVING RUDD

LOCAL fans were shocked to learn of the death of Tommy Spiegel, Uniontown, Pa., lightweight. Tommy was undoubtedly one of the bravest men in ring history. His right leg crippled by infantile paralysis, Spiegel, despite a pronounced, stiff-legged limp, fought some of the best lightweights in the country. Although he had to hobble around the ring and couldn't take a backward step, Spiegel was clever and tough enough to take the measure of Bob Montgomery, Eddie Zivic, fought a draw with Red Cochrane, and battled such sterling scrappers as Beau Jack, Chalky Wright, Pedro Montanez, Freddie Archer, and Dave Castilloux.

Harold W. Heinz, Springfield (Mass.) *Union* sports columnist, has gone overboard for Kid Chicken, the Johnston brothers' new middleweight. Chicken, whose right name is Marcus Lockman, is hailed as the greatest thing to show around New England since Beau Jack got his start in that locality.

The two oldest, active fight managers in the business are Joe Woodman and Johnny Rogers, both of whom are in their seventies with Jimmy Johnston close behind. . . . Woodman, famous as the manager of Sam Langford, now handles Nate Bolden. . . . Rogers' pride is Lloyd Marshall. . . . Johnston's is Archie Moore. Pablo Dano, little Filipino bantam who boxed 'em all, was a recent visitor to Stillman's Gym. . . . Pablo has served as a steward in the Merchant Marine since 1942. . . . He has shipped to London, Oran, France and Germany.

Jimmy Benty is the newest addition to the New York State Athletic Commission staff of announcers. . . . Speaking of announcers, Johnnie Addie still scores tremendously with his rendition of the National Anthem before the main bout. . . . It is a soul-stirring spectacle to watch Addie, without musical accompaniment, lead the entire audience in singing.

Important notice to fight managers and boxers! It has come to the attention of THE RING that managers are paying so-called RING agents for stories that appear in this magazine.

THE RING offers its pages absolutely *free* to every fight manager who has a good prospect. All you have to do is send in your story to THE RING Editor with a good photograph of your boy and we will do the rest.

Authorized RING correspondents and regular staff members are assigned to handle stories on prospects or fight personalities, but they are not permitted to solicit any payments for same. Don't be a sap and pay good dough for any articles.

There is no charge whatsoever to anyone for such service.

While interviewing a local fighter for a story recently, we learned that he had turned pro in 1941, yet won a *Daily News* Golden Gloves title in 1944! . . . Another battler was relating how he boxed bootleg for three years after which "I turned *amateur!*"

Cecil Hudson, Coast welter, was very impressive stopping Red Doty at the Garden on the Larkin-Moran card. . . . Hudson displayed one of the hardest-hitting left jabs seen in many years. . . . Hudson also amazed the crowd by using up the one minute rest period between rounds in jogging up and down in his corner! . . . He never sits down when fighting. . . . Babyface Joey Fontana, crowd-pleasing Brooklyn lightweight, who quit boxing earlier this year, is now training his middleweight kid brother, Larry, as well as several other boxers. . . . Young Kid McCoy and Joe Carter are also licensed seconds.

Ben Jeby, once recognized by the New York Commission as middleweight champion of the world, plans to open a gymnasium on the East Side. . . . Jeby's genuine malapropisms are the best laugh-provokers in the boxing business.

Al Ramo who went into defense work when the apple of his eye, Johnny Colan, enlisted in the Coast Guard, plans to return to the fight game with Colan at the beginning of the new year. . . . Ramo will also handle Peppy Cestero, former Navy welterweight champion, who boasts nine citations.

Ray Miller, famous Chicago left hook artist, the only man to flatten Jimmy McLarnin, has just been discharged from the Navy where he held the rank of C.P.O. . . . He will serve as a good will representative for a leading liquor firm in New York. . . . Archie Moore showed real greatness in knocking out Holman Williams in Baltimore. . . . This was only the second time in a fourteen year fighting career of 160 bouts against the best that the fleet-footed Williams was stopped. . . . Charley Burley was the other kayo conqueror, turning the trick in 1942.

Here are the reports of all bouts staged during the month in New York.

Tippy Larkin, Garfield, N. J., star welterweight, had a close call in his battle with tough Nick Moran of Mexico, whom he defeated in the stellar attraction of ten rounds before a gathering of 13,543 spectators at Madison Square Garden.

Larkin, weighing 142, two and one-half pounds more than Moran, got off to a good start with some sharp punching and clever boxing. In the third heat, Tippy stunned Moran, but the durable Mexican stolidly stood his ground. Larkin continued to pepper Moran rather freely in the fourth frame, although Nick retaliated with some left jabs and occasional hooks to the head.

Moran really came to life in the fifth round and had the house in an uproar as he forced Larkin to give ground, meanwhile scoring with lefts and rights to the face almost at will. In the sixth, it was Moran who was punching all the way. Larkin seemed tired at this stage, but stopped every few seconds to trade leather with Nick, who got the better of each exchange.

The seventh round saw Larkin, who realized he couldn't dent his fearless foe with his best wallops, take to boxing. Tippy stabbed and moved all through this round piling up points and refused to stand still and slug with the willing Moran. The eighth was all Larkin's, but Moran came back strong in the ninth to hurt Larkin several times. Moran, sad to relate, cannot punch, otherwise he might have stowed Tippy away.

The tenth and final frame was a thriller. Larkin battered Nick for the first minute of the round, but Moran came back to outpunch Tippy. The last minute of the round saw both men slugging away toe to toe in Moran's corner.

The decision of Referee Eddie Joseph and Judges Jack Gordon and Artie Schwartz was unanimous. Joseph and Gordon each scored it six rounds for Larkin and four for Moran, while Schwartz saw Larkin winning, seven rounds to three. Our own score was, five for Larkin, three to Nick, and two even.

Cecil Hudson, 155, Los Angeles protege of Henry Armstrong, stopped George (Red) Doty, 152½, Hartford, Conn., in 2:24 of the third round of a scheduled eight round semi-final.

Charlie Smith, 138, Newark, floored Ruby Garcia, 138, Puerto Rico, in the first round, and then scored an easy six round win. Ossie Rodriquez, 130¼, Harlem, outpointed Joe Robleto, 131, Los Angeles, in a second six. Bobby Boucher, 148, Nebraska, quickly disposed of Jimmy Parks, 149½, Brooklyn, in 1:41 of the first of a scheduled four, while Frankie Palermo, 133½, Bronx, won from Jimmy Corti, 133½, in a fast four.

Irving Eldridge, popular Bronx lightweight some seven years back, is now in the printing business. . . . Sam Austin, who is past 80, is still one of the best judges on the New York Boxing Commission staff. . . . He was former editor of the old New York *Press* and later of the old *Police Gazette* when Richard K. Fox owned it. . . . Baby Salvy Saban, crowd pleasing welter contender a decade ago, who lost a leg, has made a great comeback as a trainer of fighters. . . . He climbs the ring stairs with remarkable agility and his artificial limb hasn't hampered his good work in the corner.

Lou Valles, East Side welterweight, showed unusual courtesy when he reminded Bobby Cummings that he had forgotten his mouthpiece at the start of a round in their recent setto at the St. Nick.

Bobby Lakin, local welter, is going great guns out on the Pacific Coast. . . . Glenn Northcutt, Spokane middleweight, who had run up a string of eight straight knockouts and looked like a real comer, was upset by Speedy Cannon, a mediocre fighter, who flattened Northcutt in five.

Danny Kapilow, 143½, Brooklyn, showed great punching power as he polished off Henry Jordan, 147½, Philadelphia, in 2:51 of the third round of a scheduled feature ten rounder at the Broadway Arena.

The first two rounds were slow as Jordan clutched and grabbed at Kapilow, tying him up continually. The dull pace of the fight, following on the heels of four action-studded prelims, caused the sellout crowd to boo and stamp their feet.

Kapilow promptly provided a thrill when he drove home a resounding right, flush on the kisser of Jordan who was promptly chilled. The Philadelphia Negro had to be carried to his corner and several minutes elapsed before he could leave the ring.

In a six round semi-windup staged after the main go, Lew Perez, 163, Puerto Rico, won the decision from Caesar Ferro, 163½, Brooklyn. Doug Ratford, 147, Brooklyn, and Wendy Wilson, 149, Trinidad, B.W.I., slugged it out for six heats with Ratford emerging victorious. From this corner it looked more like Wilson. Georgie Small, 159, Brooklyn, flattened Randy Drew, 166, Bloomfield, N. J., in 2:32 of the first round of a slated six.

Milton Latimer, 155, Beacon, N. Y., outpointed Carl Holder, 160, Garfield, N. J., and Al Baltieri, 144, Brooklyn, knocked out Miguel Arroyo,

148, Mexico, in 52 seconds of the first in scheduled four rounders.

Coolidge did not choose to run. In fact, Coolidge Miller, 164, Brooklyn, elected to slug it out with the leading middleweight contender, Jake LaMotta, 165, Bronx, when they tangled in the feature fray listed for ten rounds at the Park Arena. Before a barrage of rights and lefts to the chin stowed him away, Miller had the capacity house in a frenzy as he momentarily staggered LaMotta with a right cross. The time of the kayo was 2:51 of the third round.

The Park Arena doors were closed before the first bout began and police and firemen had their hands full turning the overflow away.

In the six-round semi-final Irish Johnny Smith, 155, Boston, outscored Baudelio Valencia, 160, Mexico City. Joey Dolan, 130, Spokane, stopped Otis Mason, 133, Paterson, N. J., in 1:54 of the second, and Solly Zalter, 165½, Montreal, vanquished Jimmy Davis, 158, Pittsburgh, in two other six-round bouts.

Frankie Palermo, 135½, Bronx, whipped Jimmy Cogman, 134, Newark, and Roger Whynot, 147, Halifax, N. S., beat Charles Hilton, 152, Philadelphia, in two fours.

Eddie Murphy, unbeaten Bronx belter, scored his second knockout in as many weeks when he halted Freddie Bernard, Akron, Ohio, gamester, in 53 seconds of the third round at the White Plains County Center. This was Murphy's seventeenth straight professional victory and his fifth successive win at White Plains.

A hollow-chested kid weighing 138 pounds, one less than his opponent, Murphy throws rapier-like punches that slash his foe's eyes in ugly fashion. The first punch Eddie tossed, a swift left hook, cut Bernard's right eye. Freddie bled freely, but the cut wasn't serious enough to halt the bout. Early in the third heat, Murphy ripped in a right uppercut which floored Bernard for eight, and opened his left eye. As Freddie rose to continue, Referee Johnny Burns intervened.

Jay Paganelli, 158, Newark, won a disputed decision from Johnny Harvey, 160, Stamford, Conn., in a six spot. Augie Fleischauer, 156, New York, easily defeated Hugh Murphy, 164, Newark, in a second six. Frankie Pucci, 118, Toronto, scored a knockout over Wendell Douglas, 116, Harlem, in 1:11 of the second round.

In the fours, Jimmy Corti, 133, Newark, won from Tony Pontillo, 130, Bronx; Howard Monk, 124, Newark, knocked out Gus Suzu, 126, Hawaii, in 1:47 of the first, and Harold Christenson, 174, Garfield, N. J., stopped Joe Robinson, 167½, Newark, in 1:49 of the third.

Sonny Horne, 161, Valley Stream, L. I., outboxed Larry Fontana, 160½, Brooklyn, in a lively eight-round star bout at the Ridgewood Grove.

Horne, employing a good left jab, stepped around the left-hooking Fontana to take the first three rounds. In the first canto, a short right to the chin brought Fontana to his knees for a no count. The seventh was all Fontana's, as he connected time and again with his sweeping left hook to Horne's face. The decision was a split one with Referee Johnny McAvoy and Judge Sam Austin tallying for Horne, and Judge Paul Caiola scoring it all even on rounds and points, but giving it to Fontana by a shade on stronger physical condition at the finish.

The veteran Pal Silvers, 177, Brooklyn, had an easy time stopping Ben Russ, 168, Brooklyn, in 1:05 of the third of a scheduled six. Cyril Gittens, 159, Brooklyn, stopped Frankie Cerna, 153, Los Angeles, with a cut eye in 46 seconds of the third round, and Nick Primiani, 139, Montreal, outpointed Patsy Zoccano, 142, New York, in two other six-round frays.

Two scheduled four-rounders saw Nick Melli, 151, Brooklyn, defeat Charley Howard, 146½, Pittsburgh, and Pat Franco, 138, Newark, N. J., stop Odis Mason, 133, Garfield, N. J., in 2:26 of the second round.

Approximately 3000 fans braved a bone-chilling rainstorm to watch Lou Woods, Detroit middleweight, fight Johnny Lawer in the ten-round main event at the St. Nicholas Arena. In the immortal words of Yussel Jacobs, "They should of stood in bed!"

Woods could hardly be blamed for his part in what was undoubtedly the dullest fight of the year. The Motor City youngster tried hard to make a fight of it and provided almost all of the action. Lawer who has lost seven of nine fights this year, was content to clutch and grab in order to go the limit.

During the last round, the fans who had been jeering the fighters all the way, began throwing pennies, powder puffs and handkerchiefs into the ring. Woods, weighing 154, won all of the ten rounds to cop a unanimous decision. Lawer who fights (?) out of Cleveland, weighed 160.

In the six-round semi-final following the main go, Johnny Rinaldi, 147¾, Bronx, dropped Jimmy Parks, 150¼, West Side, three times, after which Referee Al Berl called a halt at 1:12 of the first frame.

A six-round slugfest which put the customers in an ugly mood, featured Juan Carrero, 135¼, Puerto Rico, against Jimmy Anest, 138, East Side. Anest looked like the winner, but the duke went to Carrero, and the fans kept howling and stamping their feet right through the next bout. This was a good, hard-fought six-rounder, which Jay Paganelli, 160, Belleville, N. J., won from Baudelio Valencia, 159, Mexico City. Leo Milito, 131, East Side, eked out a close win over Pedro Biesca, 133, Mexico, in a third six.

The curtain raiser of four heats went to Al Baltieri, 145, Brooklyn, who triumphed over Nate Hutchins, 145½, Elizabeth, N. J.

Chester Rico, 139½, rangy Bronx lightweight, displayed plenty of his pre-Army prowess to win handily from the ever willing Dom Amoroso, 136¼, Jersey City, N. J., in the featured ten-rounder at the Park Arena. His previously injured leg stood up nicely.

Rico, possessing a spidery, long-armed reach, completely baffled his shorter foe to score almost at will. Chester was especially effective at close range where he continually flailed away at Amoroso's body.

In the fifth round, Rico trapped Amoroso against the ropes and pounded relentlessly to the body for the entire three minutes without letup. Amoroso never retaliated except for a brief flurry at the close of the round.

Hefty Henry Jones, 218, Bronx, a little fat Negro with shimmering folds of suet around his middle, surprised the gathering with his footwork and easy win over Lonnie Clark, 185, Pleasantville, N. Y., in a six. Two bouts ended in knockouts as Tony Vero, 145½, Stamford, Conn., cut up Johnny Caruso to stop him in 1:36 of the sixth round, and Tony Ferrara, 133, Brooklyn, finished Ellie Simley, 137, Los Angeles, in 1:18 of the third.

Bob Boucher, 147, Nebraska City, Neb., was held to a four-round draw by Charley Howard, 147, Pittsburgh.

Facing Vic Costa in a return go, Morris Reif, hard-hitting Brownsville welterweight, found the Bronxite less troublesome this time as he let fly with his vaunted left hook to finish his man in 2:29 of the first round.

Costa who had gone the distance with Reif in a tough mill a few weeks earlier, jolted Morris with a couple of sharp righthand punches to the chin. Reif retaliated with a smashing hook to the body. Another left hook to the jaw dumped Costa to the canvas, where he sat glassy-eyed and was counted out. Reif weighed 147½ and Costa, 146½.

A tough six-round tussle saw Monty Klein, 140, East Side, edge out Nick Primiani, 136, Montreal. Ruby Roberts, 164½, Harlem, decisioned George Damianov, 187, Philadelphia, in another six. The third six paired Henry Johnson, 152, Bronx, and Willis Scott, 153½, Harlem. Johnson was the winner.

George Smith, 148, Harlem, beat Ernie Butler, 140, Harlem, and Frankie Keith, 146, Brooklyn, defeated Solly Aaron, 146½, Brooklyn, in two fours.

Ring-rusty after three and a half years in the Coast Guard, Tony Marteliano, East Side welterweight, blew an early lead to lose an eight-round decision to Lou Rousse, of New Orleans, in the star bout at the White Plains County Center.

Marteliano started well, scoring with numerous left hooks, but the long layoff and lack of proper conditioning soon told the story. Rousse, fighting a smart, heady battle, kept on the move throughout the fight. He jabbed and circled the rugged Italian, and shook Tony up with several resounding rights. Tony's eye was puffed at the finish. The decision was unanimous. Marteliano weighed 148½ and Rousse, 146½.

Four of the six prelims ended in knockouts. Patsy Zoccano, 140, Montreal, knocked out Orlando ("Babe") Ferraro, 138, Stamford, Conn., in 1:43 of the fifth stanza of a six-round semi-windup. Solly Zalter, 166, Brooklyn, stopped Freddie Lott, 158, Newark, N. J., with a badly cut eye at 2:15 of the fourth of another slated six. Joe Lucignano, 150, Jersey City, flattened Al Franklin, 148, Newark, in 1:41 of the second frame.

Jerry Barrett, 198, Bronx, floored Zeke Brown, 173, Harlem, four times and finally applied the crusher at 1:51 of the second round. Willie Odom, 142, Harlem, traveled the full six-round route to cop a decision over Roger Whynot, 142, Montreal, and Harry Gary, 155, Harlem, won the curtain raiser from Joe Robinson, 160, Garfield, N. J.

While Jerry Fiorello, rough, tough Brooklyn middleweight, was content to scowl menacingly, Coley Welch, of Portland, continued to feed Fiorello a faceful of fists to win a split ten-round decision at the St. Nicholas Arena before a near-capacity crowd.

Referee Ruby Goldstein and Judge Harold Barnes each favored Welch, five rounds to four and one even, and six rounds to four respectively. Judge Frank Forbes had it five and five but awarded the fight to Jerry on aggressiveness, eight points to five.

Fiorello, weighing 164¾, as did Welch, was aggressive all right, moving forward incessantly, but throwing very little leather. As the Brooklynite continued to mug and grimace, Welch kept concentrating on the business at hand to pile up plenty of points. Except for the eighth round, when Fiorello scored with some thumping rights and lefts to drive Welch around the ring, it was the clever Coley all the way.

By far the best battle of the night was a scheduled six-round thriller staged after the main go. Rocco Lescio, 137¼, Brooklyn, and Al Victoria, 138, Washington Heights, slammed away at each other in real Pier Six fashion with first one and then the other on Queer Street. Lescio won when the referee intervened at 2:04 of the fifth.

The semi-final eight went to Frankie Gromada, 140½, East Side, who offset the bull-like rushing tactics of Sammy Mammone, 142½, Providence, to cop the duke. Another tough six-round tussle saw Bobby Cummings, 144, Philadelphia, outscore Johnny Rinaldi, 147, Fordham.

Joey Carkido, 134, Youngstown, pummeled Jimmy Cogman, 133½, Newark, N. J., silly in 2:37 of the second of a scheduled four. In the final bout of the night, Charley Howard, 148, Pittsburgh, packed too much power for Mike Amico, 153, East Side, to take the decision in a fast four-rounder.

Joe Governale, 158, Brooklyn, and ex-sailor Billy Walker, 159½, Portland, Oregon, slammed away at each other without letup for eight rousing rounds at the Ridgewood Grove, and Governale emerged victorious with a close, unanimous decision.

Walker was easily the better boxer of the two, and for at least one minute of each round, he plastered Governale with an assortment of snappy left jabs and quick right crosses. The strong Brooklynite bounced back, however, to stagger the Irish youngster time and again. In the fourth frame, Governale dropped Walker for a one-count.

The scoring was very close with Judges Tom Guilfoyle and George LeCron awarding the bout to Governale, five rounds to three. Referee George Walsh tallied it at four rounds apiece, but saw Governale the winner by six points to four, which is the way this scribe had it.

Harry Berntsen, 209, Norwegian heavyweight prospect, ran into a tartar in the person of Hal Glassman, 186½, Philadelphia, before disposing of him in 2:56 of the fifth round. Both boys were undefeated before the battle started.

Howie Brodt, 151½, Chadwick, N. Y., impressively decisioned Maurice Lavigne, 151½, Montreal, in a six, while Frankie Pucci, 117, Toronto, beat Louis Lang, 120¼, Toledo, over the same distance. Ellie Simley, 138, Los Angeles, knocked out Frank Mazzone, 132¼, Brooklyn, in 1:25 of the first of a slated four, and Ernie Butler, 149, New York, won the opener from Johnny King, 153¼, Harlem.

Pat Foley, Worcester, Mass., veteran lightweight, who was considered washed up five years ago, catapulted himself back into the fistic limelight when he impressively kayoed Frankie Rubino, of Brooklyn, in 1:14 of the second round of a scheduled ten at the St. Nicholas Arena.

Foley, who returned to the ring two years ago, boxed cautiously, punching deliberately, while the youthful Rubino stepped around trying for an opening. Pat landed a few blows in the opening canto to take the round by a slight margin. At the start of the fatal round he caught Rubino with a hard right which drove him to the ropes. A couple of well placed punches to the chin dropped the Brooklyn youngster and he barely beat the count. As Frankie crouched, Foley landed a sizzling wallop that opened him up, and drove Rubino against the ropes once more.

A barrage of rights dropped Rubino to the deck once more, where he took the count completely in a daze on his hands and knees. Foley weighed 133, Rubino, 132¼.

In the semi-final eight, a lively affair, Filberto Osario, 125, Puerto Rico, powdered Harry ("Cannonball") Gibson, 127½, Harlem, profusely with thumping rights and lefts to win the decision.

A special six went to Steve Curley, 133, Montreal, who outboxed the sturdy Pedro Biesca, 133, Mexico City. Johnny Kinsey, 195, Jamaica, L. I., decisioned Ernie Petretti, 197¾, Fordham, in a four. The opener went to Ray Parker, 138½, Brooklyn, who whipped Morris Elliott, 139, Stamford, Conn.

Making his first start since his discharge from the Navy, Steve Belloise, popular Bronx middleweight, 158, showed he has lost none of his old punching power as he belted out the game and willing Billy Johnson, 160½, Wilmington, N. C., in 1:55 of the fourth heat at the Park Arena.

Belloise was a little off in his timing as Johnson carried the fight to him in the first round, scoring several times with solid body blows. Steve found the range as the bout wore on, stunning Johnson with his sharp rights and left hook, but was unable to tag him squarely. In the fourth round, Belloise caught up with Billy as first he knocked him halfway across the ring to drop him. Johnson arose but was sent back to the canvas three more times and Referee Barney Felix wisely intervened.

A capacity crowd of 3000, including the colorful "Gang Busters" with their horns, sirens, drums, and jugs of vino were on hand to welcome back Belloise, who was one of the first to enlist under Gene Tunney's physical training program.

In six-round bouts, Joey Dolan, 130½, Spokane, Wash., outfought Lou Prince, 131, Princeton, N. J.; Willie Davis, 170, Bronx, defeated Emil Williams, 175, Pittsburgh, and southpaw Billy Hildebrandt, 151, Morristown, N. J., baffled Jim Kennedy, 150, New York.

Bob Boucher, 150, Nebraska City, Neb., stopped Nat Hutchinson, 151, Elizabeth, N. J., in 16 seconds of the third round, and in a bout staged

after the main event, Tony Ferrara, 131, Brooklyn, knocked out Howard Monk, 126, Newark, in two.

After prettily outboxing the perpetual motion welterweight, Lenny ("Boom-Boom") Mancini, for the first two rounds, Steve Riggio, East Side, climbed aboard his Iver-Johnson and backpedaled furiously from the onrushing, tireless Purple Heart veteran to drop the eight-round decision at the Broadway Arena.

Mancini, 147, one pound less than Riggio, chased the two-time conqueror of Rocky Graziano all over the ring, mauling away ceaselessly to the midsection. Riggio grabbed and held desperately at every opportunity. The decision was unanimous.

Lew Perez, 159½, Puerto Rico, won over Baudelio Valencia, 158½, Mexico, in the semi-final of six rounds. Wandy Wilson, 149, Trinidad, B. W. I., won a tough six from Nunzio Ferraro, 144½, Milwaukee.

Charley McPherson, 160, Brooklyn, beat Harry Gary, 161½, Cleveland, Ohio, in a four. Henry Dee, 126, West Side, pounded Gus Suzu, 128, California, into submission at 1:03 of the fourth frame.

Tony Pellone, 140½, West Side, scored an upset at the St. Nicholas Arena when he came from behind to finish strong in the closing rounds to take a unanimous ten-round decision from Patsy Giovanelli, 136, Brooklyn, in the feature attraction.

Pellone, a 2-to-1 underdog, got the jump on his foe in the first two rounds when he began winging sharp rights and lefts, scoring frequently to Giovanelli's face. The Brooklyn Italian then came back in the third round to subject Pellone to a withering body barrage in close which Tony seemed unable to protect himself against through the fourth, fifth and sixth rounds.

In the seventh heat, Pellone began to box cleverly once more, using a snappy left jab and a looping bolo right which repeatedly jarred Giovanelli. Patsy doggedly stuck to his attack to the midsection at close quarters while Pellone piled up points with the sharper, cleaner punching to win the duke.

The semi-final of eight rounds went to Lou Valles, 150¼, East Side, who threw too much leather for game Bobby Cummings, 142, Brooklyn.

A closely fought six-rounder resulted in a decision win for Willie Davis, 169½, Bronx, over Charley Jones, 175½, Harlem. Another slated six failed to go the distance when Andy Heyward, 120, Newark, N. J., halted Jimmy Jeannette, 118, Louisville, Ky., in 2:52 of the second round.

Frank Palermo, 135, Puerto Rico, whipped Marcus McCray, 130, Bronx, in the opening four.

Maxie Shapiro, East Side lightweight, 135¾, punched himself arm-weary in an attempt to knock out the durable Eddie Dowl of Newark, 133½, but only succeeded in stopping him in 2:26 of the eighth and final frame of the star bout at the Ridgewood Grove.

A crowd of 3,100 saw Shapiro catch Dowl with a series of right and left-hand smashes which caused Eddie to pitch forward on his face at the end of the third round. The bell saved Dowl who was vainly trying to climb to his feet.

From the fourth round through to the finish, the game Jerseyite back-pedaled, ducked and clinched while Shapiro tried to land a haymaker. Finally as Shapiro was battering away at will, Referee Frank Fullam stepped in to stop the slaughter.

In a co-feature eight, ex-Marine Jimmy McDonough, Brooklyn, 152, left jabbed Freddie Graham, Bronx, 156, so silly for six heats that he refused to come up for the seventh round.

George Knox, 126, Newark, knew too much for Rocky Progano, 130½, Stamford, Conn., in a six round go. Melio Bettina's kid brother, Joe, 184½, Beacon, N. Y., won a six from Jimmy Polk, 172½, Newark, N. J.

Another younger brother of a famed fighting clan, Jimmy Callura, of Hamilton, Ontario, 125, impressively kayoed Howard Monk, 123¾, Newark, in 2:14 of the first of a scheduled four. Georgie Smith, 147, Hawaii, outscored Tommy Daniels, 143, Brooklyn, in a four rounder.

Al Hoosman, 196½, Los Angeles, rated the best prospect to emerge from the armed forces, suffered his first defeat at the hands of Lee Savold, 199½, Paterson, N. J., in the featured ten rounder at the St. Nicholas Arena.

A crowd of 4,091 watched Hoosman in his first big test against a topflight heavyweight and came away convinced that the ex-serviceman is plenty game. For the first three rounds his long, accurate left jab completely baffled the sturdy Savold and kept him off balance.

Lee forced the fight all the way and starting with the sixth he rocked Hoosman with a right to the chin. Savold shook Al up in the ensuing rounds, closed his right eye, and had his man bleeding profusely from the nose. Through it all Hoosman kept stabbing with his snappy left, but Savold was too strong for him.

In the eight round semi-windup, Johnny Dell, 141, Brooklyn, won from Nick Primiani, 136, Montreal. Joey Dolan, 128, Spokane, defeated Jerry Darby, 131, Jamaica, L. I., in a six round bout. Morris Elliott, 138½, Stamford, Conn., battled to a four round draw with Joe Eldridge, 139, West Side.

In a four spot staged after the main event, Lou Langley, 121, New York, outpointed Rudy Madora, 125, Brooklyn, while the curtain raiser went to Jimmy Corti, 133¾, Trenton, N. J., who triumphed over Ray Parker, 136½, Brooklyn.

Scoring consistently with a barrage of body blows, Jimmy McDaniels, 150, Los Angeles, defeated Johnny Ryan, 153, Detroit, in the ten round feature at the Broadway Arena.

The decision was unanimous as Referee Teddy Martin awarded the bout six rounds to three for the Coast clouter, with one even. Judge Charley Rosen saw it 7 to 3 in Jimmy's favor, while Judge Bill Cohen tabbed it pretty close at four to four with two even; but gave it to McDaniels on points, six to four.

In sixes, Charley Noel, 129½, Brooklyn, won over Pedro Biesca, 131, Mexico City, Maurice Lavigne, 150, Montreal, defeated Leon Kennedy, 151½, New York, and Monty Klein, 140¾, New York, knocked out Patsy Zoccano, 143, Brooklyn, in 1:31 of the second heat.

Harry Dee, 129½, New York, whipped Gus Suzu, 129½, Sacramento, Cal., in four, and Al Baltieri, 144, Brooklyn, finished Nat Hutchins, 148, Elizabeth, N. J., in 1:03 of the first canto.

Maxie Berger, 153, Bronx, scored his second win on the comeback trail when he starched George (Red) Doty, 153, Hartford, in 1:32 of the seventh round at the Park Arena.

Berger had to climb off the canvas to win, for he was floored in the fifth for a count of three. Maxie backpedaled until his head cleared and then finished his foe with a sharp right uppercut.

Art Tatta, 159, New Haven, much-decorated war hero, outpointed Jimmy Davis, 158½, Brooklyn, in the semi-final six. Danny Carabella, 125, Bronx, decisioned Al Cella, 129, Jamaica, in a sixer, while Julie Bort, 138, Brooklyn, stopped Jimmy Cogman, 136, Newark, in :21 of the fifth of a scheduled six round bout.

In the fours, Ellie Simley, 138, New York, whipped Dom Zeto, 133, New York, and Ernie Butler, 148, Brooklyn, beat Charley Howard, 145, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Eddie Murphy, 18-year-old unbeaten Bronx lightweight, received his Christmas gift three weeks earlier this year, when he was awarded the decision over Juan Carrero, of Puerto Rico, in the star six round bout at the White Plains County Center.

A packed house of 5,400 fans booed the verdict rendered by three officials hailing from Westchester County where the White Plains fight club is located, and where Murphy is the outstanding attraction. Referee Lou Boughton and Judge Steve Acunto had Murphy in front, 4 to 2; while Judge Tom Nelson's card read, Murphy 3, Carrero 2, and one even.

Carrero was the aggressor almost all the way as time and again he drove Murphy back with a two-fisted whirlwind attack. It was a good slugfest with Murphy finishing strong in the final frame, trying for a knockout. At 138, Eddie weighed three more pounds than his rival.

Three fights on the card ended in knockouts. Joe Lucignano, 140, Jersey City, stopped Miguel Arroyo, 151¾, Mexico City, at 1:23 of the second round. Al Galguet, 165½, Newark, upset Melio Bettina's kid brother Joe, 183, Beacon, N. Y., when he broke Bettina's nose, and Commission Doctor Thomas Bockner would not let him answer the bell for the fifth. Dennis Fedoriuk, 140, Toronto, flattened Ike Goldstein, 138½, Brooklyn, in 1:44 of the first round.

Bill Hildebrandt, 152½, Morristown, N. J., whipped Johnny Harvey, 162, Stamford, in a six. Don Anderson, 159½, Bronx, outpointed Benny Davis, 156½, Portchester, N. Y., in another six.

Winning nine out of ten rounds, George (Sonny) Horne, 158, Valley Stream, L. I., re-established himself as a leading middleweight contender when he trounced Artie Levine, 160¾, Brooklyn, in the ten round main event at Madison Square Garden.

Horne, who was stopped because of badly cut eyes by Levine in a Garden go earlier this year, gained sweet revenge as he outboxed, outfought and outpunched Levine. Except for the third round, when Levine scored with solid shots to open a slight cut over Sonny's left eye, Horne won all the way. The decision of the officials was unanimous.

Larry Fontana, 160½, Brooklyn, won a hard fought six round semi-final from Danny Martin, 152½, Newark, N. J. Lou Valles, 151¼, New York, outslugged Lou Angelo, 155, Bayonne, in an interesting six. The third six went to Jimmy McDonough, 152, Brooklyn, who repeated an earlier win over Ralph Dougherty, 159½, Newark, N. J.

In a four following the main event, Doug Ratford, 144½, Brooklyn, outpointed Weyland Douglas, 146, Los Angeles, Cal. The curtain raiser went to Sam Barubi, 159¼, Harlem, who defeated Clarence Wilkinson, 164, Bronx.

Ken Overlin, colorful former middleweight champ, a surprise visitor to THE RING offices. . . . Ken now scales 195 pounds. . . . He will run for sheriff of Macon County in Illinois this April. . . . Add odd names of fighters. . . . Catfish Bourgeois, New Orleans welter. . . . Johnny Chong Wong, Detroit feather. . . . Mickey Quack, Pittsburgh featherweight, and Willie Weasel, Philadelphia, Pa. . . . Signs of the times. . . . A placard in the phone booth at Stillman's Gym warns: "Anyone caught using slugs for these phones will be barred from the gym. Signed Lou Stillman."

Jackie Reemes, Brooklyn welterweight who taught the late Al Davis most of his early ring pointers, is now doing a grand job as sports columnist for the Amsterdam *News* in New York. . . . The first and only woman we ever saw sitting in the working press section at the Garden is Adelaide Leavy. . . . She is a crackerjack sports photographer.

Many sports promoters might take a leaf from the book of Blink Palermo, Philadelphia fight manager, who staged a boxing show for the patients at the Army's Valley Forge General Hospital. . . . The bouts were not exhibitions, but regular fights under commission supervision. . . . 1700 patients jammed the joint for free to see Palermo's promotion which must have set him back $1,000 for he paid all the purses and expenses.

Joe Governale, 158, Brooklyn, moved closer to a match with the middleweight leaders when he punched out a unanimous decision over Freddy Flores, 163, Jamaica, L. I., in the feature eight round contest at the Ridgewood Grove.

A sellout crowd saw Governale throw too many gloves for Flores as he notched up his third victory since leaving the Coast Guard. Flores' eye was cut in the fourth round and continued to bleed throughout the remainder of the battle.

In the semi-final of six rounds Bobby Cummings, 143, Philadelphia, arose from a nine count knockdown to whip Freddie Patterson, 149, Rochester. The veteran Pal Silvers, 178, Brooklyn, crossed a pippin of a right to the chin of Frankie Rose, 192, St. Augustine, Fla., at 1:16 of the opening canto, and promptly rocked the Negro to sleep. Jimmy Davis, 158, Pittsburgh, was too busy for Lew Perez, 161, Puerto Rico, in a third six spot.

Marty Bell, 137, Newark, N. J., knocked out Willie Fischer, 142, New York, in 2:09 of the first of a slated four. Joe Lucigana, 149, Hoboken, N. J., whipped Charley Howard, 146½, Pittsburgh, in the four round opener.

Hampered by a hostile crowd and a hostile commission, Cecil Hudson, Los Angeles welterweight sensation, nevertheless managed to punch out an easy one-sided ten round win over washed-up Fritzie Zivic at Madison Square Garden.

Hudson got away fast, taking the first two rounds with ease while opening a slight gash on Zivic's forehead. In the third, Cecil pummeled away at Zivic's midsection, and although press row observers failed to see a low one land, the galleryites hooted loudly enough and Referee George Walsh awarded the frame to Fritzie.

It was Hudson all the way as Zivic's defensive tactics seemed to be gleaned from the Ancient Mariner. ("He stoppeth one of three.") Hudson was harassed further by the Commissioner at ringside who insisted Cecil sit down on a stool between rounds. The energetic Californian never squats during the minute rest period and he had to continue fighting with the threat of a suspension after the bout.

The decision for Hudson, who weighed 151, was unanimous. Zivic scaled 150½.

Vinnie Rossano, 148, Brooklyn, looked good in defeating sturdy Tony Riccio, 156, Bayonne, N. J., in an eight rounder. John Thomas, 184, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., whipped Billy Grant, 181, Orange, N. J., in another lively eight round scrap.

In the fours, Rocco Rossano, 144, Brooklyn, Vinnie's younger brother, outscored Joe Rogers, 139, Bridgeport, Conn. It was a bad night for the Rogers family as brother Jimmy Rogers, 143, Bridgeport, lost to Al Baltieri, 143, Brooklyn, in a second four. The opener went to the classy Joey Carkido, 133½, Youngstown, O., who knocked out Ray Parker, 135, West Side, in 2:39 of the first frame.

Steve Belloise, 161, Bronx, racked up his second straight kayo since his discharge from the Navy when he knocked out Irish Johnny Smith, 152, Boston, in 1:15 of the second round at the Park Arena.

Steve encountered no opposition as he floored Smith three times in round one. Referee Harry Gleicher intervened when Johnny crashed to the canvas in the following canto.

The six-round semi-final went to Joey Dolan, 128, Spokane, Wash., who outpointed Richie Myashiro, 130, Los Angeles. In a scheduled six, Lou Prince, 130, Princeton, N. J., knocked out Al Cella, 130, Brooklyn, in 1:29 of the first.

Patsy Zoccano, 143, Montreal, defeated Monty Klein, 139, Brooklyn, in four rounds. Ernie Petretti, 195, West Side, vanquished Hughie Walker, 205, Brooklyn, in a second four. Another scheduled four-rounder ended at 1:17 of the third when Johnny Barrett, 193, Bronx, stopped Zeke Brown, 175, Harlem.

Louis Rousse, fast-rising New Orleans welterweight youngster, scored an impressive victory when he hammered out an eight-round decision win over rugged Johnny Ryan of Detroit at the Broadway Arena.

Rousse weighed 149, Ryan, 154¾. The *Daily Mirror* Phone Fund for Heroes shared in the receipts.

Mike Konnors, 131, West Side, outpointed Charley Noel, 132, Brooklyn, in an eight-round semi-windup. Bobby Brown, 163, Philadelphia, whipped Cyril Gittens, 157½, Brooklyn, in a six-rounder.

In a four, Miguel Arroyo, 151, Mexico City, won over Jerry Heimowitz, 151½, Brooklyn. Two other fours failed to go the distance as Al Mazerole, 142, Limestone, Me., knocked out Morris Elliott, 141, Stamford, Conn., in 16 seconds of the second, and Mel Hawkins, 162½, Jamaica, halted Teddy Brown, 164½, New York, in 27 seconds of round two.

Baby Al Brown, 138, Panama, upset Dom Amoroso, 137, Jersey City, to win an eight-round decision at the White Plains County Center.

The Panamanian was too aggressive for Amoroso, although Dom was the better boxer. The decision was unanimous.

Artie Tedesco, 144, Cliffside, N. J., beat Maurice Lavigne, 146½, Montreal, in the semi-final six. Johnny Yelavich, 153½, Roselle Park, N. J., won an unpopular six-round decision over Charley Howley, 156, Philadelphia. Don Anderson, 159, Bronx, won over Benny Davis, 159, Portchester, N. Y., in another six.

Frankie Pucci, 118½, Toronto, defeated Willie Alexander, 123, Philadelphia, in a four-rounder. Harry Dee, 129, Brooklyn, stopped Gus Suzu, 127½, Hawaii, at the end of the second round with a cut eye. The opener went to Don Scanlon, 124, Ozone Park, L. I., who whipped Howard Monk, 123, Newark.

KANSAS CITY AND VICINITY

By JUANITA YEARGAIN

BEFORE a near capacity crowd at the Wichita Forum, December 6, Chet Cook, 202, Wichita, decisioned Bobby Jenkins, 190, Hutchinson, to be crowned the heavyweight champion of the Kansas-Oklahoma A.A.U. boxing tournament. Tough Ay Velez, Great Bend Army Air Field soldied, kayoed Kenneth Bernard of Hutchinson, Kans., in the second to become the 175-pound titleholder.

In the 160-pound class: John Miles, Sapulpa, Okla., decisioned Ralph Phoenix, Hutchinson, Kans. Matt Baranski, Great Bend Army Air Field, won the 147-pound class, decisioning Virgil Whitefox, Riverside School, Okla. In the 130-pound class, Rutherford Loneman, Concho Indian School, Okla., decisioned Russ Moore, Kansas City, Kans. Bud Love, Wichita, decisioned Robert Paddelty, Riverside School, to win the 120-pound division.

In the 118-pound bracket, Charles Peahbeshy, Riverside School, Anadarko, Okla., won over Dick Darnell, Wichita. Boxing in the 112-pound division, Buddy Yackashi, Ft. Sill, Okla., decisioned William Leupe, Riverside Indian School, Anadarko, Okla. Bob Gooday of Ft. Sill, Okla., won the 105-pound division, decisioning Lindy Burgess, Riverside School.

Major Jones, 147, Kansas City Negro youth who battled his way into national prominence in the Golden Gloves, continued his professional winning streak by pounding out a decision over Billy Grier, 149, Detroit, in the eight round main event on December 3, at Memorial Hall, Kansas City, Kans. Managed by genial Frankie Gatto, Jones was never in trouble in winning from Grier, winning seven out of the eight rounds. On the same card, Vert Gibson, 142, Kansas City, knocked out Vince Gambill, 147, Kansas City, in the fifth round. Stealing the show, Frankie Rivera, bantamweight and another of Gatto's boys, flattened Jimmy Young of Detroit in the initial round. Howard Jackson, 122, Kansas City, stopped Vic Dorsey, 120, Detroit, in the fifth. Ray Spurlock, 161½, Kansas City won a technical kayo from Harold Thomas, 164, Detroit, in the fourth round.

In amateur boxing at Kansas City's Municipal Auditorium fourteen bouts were run off between boys from the different city clubs. The results: 160-pound class—Ray McCoy, Northeast, knocked out Emmett Tucker, Wyandotte, second round. 112-pound class—Connie Stamps, Gateway, outpointed Dick Weinhold, West Side. 126-pound class—Ray Lee, Northeast, outpointed Rollin Sublett, Richmond, Mo. 80-pound class—Dean Ide, Northeast, outpointed O'Dell White, Wyandotte. 112-pound class—Arthur Brown, Gateway, outpointed Carl Kissee, Wyandotte. 110-pound class—George Haskins, Wyandotte, outpointed Verdell Patton, Wyandotte. 85-pound class, Don Ide, Northeast, outpointed Charles Webb, Argentine Parish House. 100-pound class—James Pilchner, Wyandotte, outpointed Ernie Bolware, West Side. 112-pound class—Theo Smith, Gateway, knocked out Bob Brannon, West Side, second round. Howard Painter, West Side, outpointed Rob Vaughn, Gateway. 135-pound class—Eddie Murphy, Wyandotte, knocked out George Hayes, first round. 135-pound class—Arnold Johnson, Wyandotte, knocked out Hargett Haves, Gateway, second round. 126-pound class—Billy Battle, Wyandotte, outpointed Ludwig Mauer, West Side. Sammy Anch and Bobby Steward did a swell job officiating.

November 27, 2500 fans witnessed a twelve bout card at Kansas City's Municipal Auditorium that was jam-packed with action. The boxing results were: 100-pound class—Franklin Cabe, Wyandotte, outpointed George Haskins, Wyandotte. 100-pound class—Willard Henry, Wyandotte Youth Club, outpointed Ernie Bolware, West Side Club. 112-pound class—Clifford Maddox, Gateway, outpointed Frederick Ross, Wyandotte. 112-pound class—Grover Broomfield, Northeast, outpointed Elmer Blain, Gateway. 118-pound class—James Berry, West Side, outpointed Percy Perry, Wyandotte. 126-pound class—Alfred Turner, Wyandotte, outpointed Gene Wilson, Skyline club. 147-pound class—Harold Steiner, Northeast, outpointed Ray Jones, Northeast, 118-pound class—Danny Mathis, West Side, won from Towsell Conwell, Wyandotte, by TKO second round. 126-pound class—Billy Battles, Wyandotte, outpointed Ludwig Mauer, West Side. 135-pound class—Earl Murphy, Wyandotte, knocked out Edward Hargrove, Argentine Parish house, in the second round. 160-pound class—Ray McCoy, Northeast, outpointed Maurice Brown, Wyandotte. 118-pound class—Ferando Rivera, West Side, outpointed Rollin Sublett, Richmond, Mo. Referees, Walter Bates and Sammy Anch.

Topping the Disabled American Veterans' card, November 21, at Wichita's Forum, Bobby Jenkins, 190, Hutchinson, won a questionable decision over Chet Cook, 200, Wichita. In the interstate bouts. Russ Darby, 118, Hutchinson, beat Fred Williams, Kansas City, decision. 131—Russ Moore, Kansas City, beat Harvey Kelly, Wichita, decision. 146—Clayton Goodman, Wichita, won by TKO over Herschel Eaton, Sapulpa, *Okla.*, second.

Same weight division, Hosea Caw, Wichita, decisioned Arthur Benson, Sapulpa, Okla. 145—Lawrence Jones, Sapulpa, Okla., won TKO over Dewey Ashford, Wichita, in first. 147—Freddie Thompson, Wichita, won KO over Bobby Clark, Glenpool, Okla., first round. 126—Archie Sullard, Wichita, won over Curt Riley, Sapulpa, Okla. 109—Robert Winesberry, Wichita, won over Isaac Herron, Kansas City. On the same card, bouts between Wichita boxers: 102—Ted Davis beat Dick Spiker, decision. 133—Don Mullin decisioned Roy Snyder. 141—Leonard Nell beat Vernon Stephen. 150—Chuck Raymond beat Beau Thompson, TKO, first. 132—Junior Johnson beat Coranando Aquire, decision. 126—Rome Avilla beat Jimmy Smith, decision.

Kansas City's sharp-socking amateurs defeated the Wichita team, November 20, in an inter-city card 7 to 2 before an appreciative crowd of over 2000 at K. C.'s Municipal Auditorium. Heavyweight class—John Huntsman, Kansas City, won a decision from Chet Cook, Wichita. 175-pound class—Kenneth Bernard, Wichita, won by decision from Lincoln Edgar, Kansas City. 160-pound class—Alonzo Higgins, Kansas City, won by decision from Ralph Phoenix, Wichita. 147-pound class—Jackie Darthard, Kansas City, won by decision from Claude Sullard, Wichita. 135-pound class—Joe Kennedy, Wichita, won by decision from Joe Rima, Kansas City. 126-pound class—Edmond Carr, Kansas City, knocked out Donald Smither, Wichita, first. Floyd Perry, Kansas City, won decision from Bud Love, Wichita, same division as previous bout. 118-pound class—Rollins Sublette, Kansas City, knocked out Marvin Smith, Wichita, third round. 112-pound class—James Lunn, Kansas City, won by decision from Wayne McFarland, Wichita.

In and around Kansas City—Freddie Sommers called off the "Sugar" Ray Robinson-Fritzie Zivic bout he had carded for the city December 10, which makes the second time he has named a bout and it didn't show. Because of this Kansas City sport writers are giving him the cold shoulder. Madison Coombs, Physical Director at Haskell, has some ace Indian scrappers this season. . . . Terry Nolan, 1937 Kansas City *Star's* Golden Gloves middleweight champion, fresh from the Navy, has begun boxing classes at Southwest high. . . . Bobby Bruns, handsome heavyweight wrestler, is back on the mat after spending four years in the Navy. . . . Capt. A. E. Brabec, special service officer, hopes to have a good boxing team for the Golden Gloves this season.

Your correspondent is once again pounding the typewriter after spending nearly three years in the Navy as boxing instructor. Returning to civilian life I was selected to coach and direct the Topeka State *Journal's* Golden Gloves tournament in the Capital city. The *Journal's* tourney will be staged January 22, 23 and 25, prior to the Kansas City *Star's* tournament which is held in February.

Having the opportunity to talk to thousands of service men who have been in all parts of the world, they take their hats off to Nat Fleischer, editor of this grand magazine, as the man who did the most for boxing during the war. Nat's undying effort in keeping the interest high in his fine publication kept the sport on a strong footing throughout the war, hence the great boom now. Soldiers, Marines, Coast Guards, and Sailors everywhere owe you a great vote of thanks, Mr. Fleischer, and believe me—I know—they appreciate it from the bottom of their hearts.

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PITTSBURGH FISTIC NEWS

By FRANK T. McQUAIDE, JR.

JAKE MINTZ, the capable matchmaker for the Rooney McGinley Club, promoters of local boxing matches, proved his ability by arranging one of the classiest boxing bouts witnessed here in the past four years with Danny Kapilow, two-fisted slugger from New York, and Gene Burton, an equally hard-hitting Negro boy, who also hails from the Big Town. Two top-notch lightweights and an exceptionally fine supporting card, drew what was almost a sell-out crowd to the local Gardens Arena.

Kapilow, the underdog, dashed from his corner at the opening bell and in one minute and twenty-seven seconds of the first round the fight was over, with Burton stretched cold and the referee holding Kapilow's hand aloft, proclaiming him the winner by a knockout.

Kapilow, New York, weighed 141, Burton, New York, weighed 139.

In the semi-final Sammy Adragna, 147, of Carnegie, Pa., won over Chuck Taylor, 143, of New Kensington, Pa., Taylor looked like the winner in the early rounds, but Adragna piled up point after point in the infighting in the late rounds to take the unanimous decision.

In an eight-round thriller between the hook artist, Cliff Beckett, 157, of Sudbury, Ontario, and Eddie Finazzo, 166, of Baltimore, Finazzo gained the verdict.

A fan-pleasing four-rounder on this card found Bobby LaLonde, 137, of Detroit, winning the decision over Ray Miller, 140, Ellwood City, Pa.

In the opening four-rounder Richie Collura, 131, won his first professional fight in sensational style by knocking out Kid Tagg, 133, of McKees Rocks, Pa., in 2:31 of the first round.

At the Aragon Arena—Pittsburgh fight fans filled the Aragon Arena to capacity on November 15 to witness a thrill-packed ten-round main event between Mickey Quack, 120, of Pittsburgh and Willie Anderson, 120, of Detroit. Quack, always a fan pleasing fighter, was a busy little man all through the bout and had to go all-out to win the split decision.

It was a close fight and the fans are assured that a rematch will take place in the near future. Quack weighed 120, Anderson also weighed 120.

In the preliminary bouts Ray Miller, 138, Ellwood City, Pa., won the decision in a six-rounder over Billy Ray, 148, Pittsburgh. In another six-round bout, Nat Smith, 150, Pittsburgh, decisioned Bobby Burton, 152, Pittsburgh. Tommy Green, 158, Pittsburgh, won the decision over Larry Huff, 157, Pittsburgh, four rounds. Kid Tagg, 133, McKees Rocks, Pa., gained the decision over Leon Jones, 134, Cannonsburg, Pa., four rounds.

Aragon Arena, Pittsburgh—Bobby Simmons, 148, Indianapolis, won the decision over Billy Grier, 151, of Detroit, in an unimpressive ten-rounder. Neither Simmons nor Grier displayed very much form.

A six-round re-match between George Sapolich, 167, Johnstown, Pa., and Billy Heeps, 175, Carnegie, Pa., was won by Sapolich. Sapolich floored Heeps for a four-count in the fourth round.

Another six-rounder found Billy Ray, 136, Pittsburgh, combining gameness with skill in winning the decision over Ray Jackson, 141, Pittsburgh, after having been floored for a nine-count in the fourth round.

Billy Garrett, 146, Swissvale, Pa., won by a knockout over Ray Green, 152, Pittsburgh, in the first round.

Benny Bartle, 171, Ellwood City, Pa., decisioned Fred Bailey, 176, Uniontown, Pa., in four rounds.

A familiar figure in boxing rings from coast to coast is the capable, efficient and very likeable little Bobby Quinn. Bobby's greatest claim to fame is his role as trainer of former world's welterweight champion, Fritzie Zivic. Inseparable friends for years, Bobby and Fritzie have climbed the ladder to fistic greatness together.

Bobby also has under his wing the local hard-hitting lightweight sensation, Juste Fontaine, the fan-pleasing bantamweight, Mickey Quack, and more than a dozen other fighters, all proteges of Fritzie Zivic.

IN SYRACUSE RINGS
By BILLY SHAW

ENTHUSIASM for boxing in Binghamton, N. Y., is at peak stage these days and Promoter Lloyd Welsh is enjoying the fruits of his early labors in the Parlor City. Crowds jam Kalurah Temple to capacity, for every show, and many are turned away because of lack of space. Operating with a minimum of newspaper publicity, Welsh's fights speak for themselves. Satisfied fans don't care who tops a card, they go knowing they will see a real battle and they are never disappointed.

One of the outstanding scraps of the season was a Southern Tier natural between Armond Olevano, Endicott, and Arthur (Bud) Gregory, Port Dickinson, heavyweight, on November 28. This brawl had every fan in the Triple Cities sector on edge, resulted in a complete sell-out and a thrilling toe-to-toe punching bee that capped anything ever put on in a Bingo ring. Olevano, 175, tall, rawboned sharpshooter, knocked out Gregory, a rugged 190-pounder, in the fourth round. A pulverizing right stowed Bud among the clovers after two knockdowns in the fourth.

Jolting Joe Matisi, 192, Endicott, scored a technical knockout over Buddy Patton, 178, Cleveland, in the second round. It was Joe's first fight since getting out of the service. Tough and well-conditioned, Patton stood up well under Matisi's best shots, but cuts over Buddy's eye caused the club physician to intervene at the end of the second round and order Referee Wazzo to halt the go. Other results: Allie Wolfe, 137½, New York, outpointed Joe Miller, 138, Buffalo, in a fast six-rounder. Johnny Sudar, 172, Endicott, beat Teddy Brown, 168, New York, in four; Carl Olsen, 137, Syracuse, whipped Al Foster, 140, Binghamton, in four; Harold Arrington, 131, Binghamton, trounced Otis Mason, 131½, Garfield, N. J., in a four-round slugfest.

Joey Kushner has his ups and downs. This hard-belting little featherweight, who has to box lightweights, seems to be at his best in preliminary engagements. Any time he gets a golden opportunity in a windup, the veteran Joe fails his fans and handlers. Fighting the star bout at Binghamton, before a jam-packed crowd, Kushner fell victim to a technical knockout at the hands of Eddie Smith, 139, of Rochester, in the fifth round of a bout slated for eight heats. Kushner suffered a bad cut over his right eye after taking a drubbing without too much retaliation on his part. Other results on the November 14 card: Joe Matisi, 200, Endicott, kayoed Jack Davenport, 187, Paterson, N. J., first round; Arthur (Bud) Gregory, 190, Port Dickinson, kayoed Dave Kinsley, 195, Long Island City, in the third; Joe Miller, 140, Buffalo, outpointed Allie Wolfe, 140, New York, six; Aster Rice, 142½, Binghamton, decisioned Roy Kelley, 142½, Rochester, four, and Jimmy Scouten, 148, Binghamton, defeated Ike Cunningham, 152, Binghamton, four.

Ralph DeJohn, Syracuse light-heavyweight, back as a civilian, is coming back strong at Buffalo, where he is a big card. DeJohn's first start was brief and to the point. He knocked out Larry Shucks, Mount Vernon, 175, in the first round. On the same card, Carman DeJohn, middleweight, brother of Ralph, flattened Leo Dundee, 169, Endicott, 90 seconds after the opening bell.

Weighing 170 pounds, Ralph returned to the Buffalo ring on November 27 to oppose Dave Mason of Cleveland. DeJohn floored Mason, who had a 16½-pound pull in the weights, three times in the first round, then the fun began. Mason, using his superior heft, fought like a wildcat and the scrap resulted in a Pier 6 brawl! DeJohn suffered a cut eye during a blistering exchange but that did not deter him. He brought down the house by wading into Mason and punching the Clevelander groggy.

Petey Virgin, larruping Schenectady feather, who looks enough like Jimmy Cagney to be the movie star's twin, beat Harold (Cannonball) Gibson of Brooklyn in the ten-round top at Troy. Virgin weighed 130, Gibson, 128½. Joey Kushner, Syracuse, 130, beat LeRoy Saunders, 135, Bronx, in the six-round semi. Leo Saranelli, Schenectady, stopped Tony Forezzi, Albany, in 2:35 of the fifth. Both scaled 130. Carl Olsen, Syracuse, 136, won all the way from Bob Franklyn, 140, Albany, in four. George McKinney, 145, Albany, outsocked Fritz Moore, 148, Albany, in four frames, to get the show underway.

Joey Kushner, 130, Syracuse, knocked out Dick De Lotta, 138½, Buffalo, in the fourth round of a scheduled six-rounder, on the Phil Muscato-Irish Mickey Hayes card on December 5 at Buffalo. Muscato halted Hayes in the fourth before 4200 fans.

At Troy, December 3, Rudy Campa, 147, Mexico City, outpointed Torpedo Reed, 147, New York, in the ten-round windup. Doug Rhone, 165, Albany, kayoed Billy Gaylord, 170, Binghamton, in the third round of the scheduled six-round semi. Other bouts: Al Panaca, 170, Schenectady, knocked out Jim Thomas, 181, Albany, in the third, while Bob Franklyn, 152, Albany, was knocked out in one round by Ike Cunningham, 160, Binghamton.

LEFT-HOOKS: Danny Amos, young brother of Babe and Sammy Amos, owners of Amos' Cafe, here, is expected back from England any day now. . . . When Danny was called in the draft, ex-boxer Babe was operating the Sports Room downtown, with Henny Andrews as his partner. . . . Now Babe is going it along with brother Sammy in their own grill, and doing very nicely in their Lodi Street spot. . . . Busiest man in the boxing game upstate, is genial Irv Robbins. . . . This husky veteran manager of fighters has his stable working almost every night in the week, somewhere. . . . Jimmy (The Seer) Alpert, is now operating his own drug store. . . . Onandaga Sports, Inc., the Leonard, Schindler, Swiderski combine, are seeking permission to use our State Armory for boxing.

THE MAIL BAG: Boys, pleez be patient! . . . Sgt. Ray Heling, Camp Atterbury.

BUFFALO, N. Y.
By HUGH SHANNON

JACK SINGER presented a smashing card of bouts at Memorial Auditorium on the night of December 4. The main event saw Phil Muscato beat a good tough opponent in Irish Mickey Haves from Milwaukee. Although Muscato won a technical K.O. in the fourth round, it was, nevertheless, a good bout, brimful of action. Muscato is the better fighter of the two but Hayes is courageous and a good two fisted slugger. Phil did a lot of heavy right hand punching which had Hayes in a bad way at the finish. Muscato weighed 183; Hayes, 194½.

Bobby Collins, 156½, won a TKO over Alex Doyle, 147½, of Garfield, N. J., in the second round; Lew Perez of Puerto Rico, 156, was belted out in the first round by Allen Faulkner, 150½; Oscar Boyd won from Dan Kinsey of Augusta, Ga., after six rounds of slugging. Boyd weighed 169; Kinsey, 190.

Bobby Dare, 169, won a knockout over Jack Harding, 178, of Toronto, second round; Charlie Hall, 133, decisioned Pat Smith, 135, Schenectady, four rounds.

A crowd of close to 6000 saw the show. Officials were Eddie Seres, referee; Judges Tommy McGlynn and Fischer.

New Faces—Although Jack Harding was stopped by Bobby Dare on the Muscato-Hayes card the boy looks like a honey to this writer. . . . Allen Faulkner is another who can become real good by proper handling and Prentiss Hall will be a main bouter if he is steered right for the next seven or eight months.

Ralph DeJohn of Syracuse, 170, won a hard fight from Dave Mason, Cleveland, 186, in the main event of the Fairview club's show at Memorial Auditorium, November 27.

Matchmaker Billy Mitchie presented a bangup card of bouts and the star event provided some real fighting. Mason cut De John up for keeps and the Syracuse man will be on the shelf for some time to come. Ralph was the unanimous winner but knew that he had been in a terrific battle.

The FAC's prelim card was chockful of action. Carman DeJohn, brother of Ralph, weighing 163, knocked out Ted Brown, 169, Brooklyn, in the third round. Irish Mickey Doyle, 156, Hamilton, Ont., decisioned Freddie Graham, 153, New York, six rounds. Gus Schlee, 202, Buffalo, beat Alex (Bearcat) Jones, 193½, in six stanzas and Johnny Chatmon, 138½, Buffalo, stopped Babe Orlando, 136, Buffalo, two rounds.

The gross receipts were $6328 and the net $5050.

Around the Town—Clarence Jones, rugged Negro middleweight of a few years back, is returning to ring wars. . . . Capt. Joe Giovino of the U.S. Army is home on a furlough after 3½ years in service, the last two in the European theater. . . . Capt. Joe was once a pro boxer and a good one. He was known as Joe Geave in the ring and was managed by the happy-go-lucky Bert Finch.

Jack Herman and Jerry Monahan are still packing 'em in at wrestling shows. . . . They run the Great Lakes A.C. and plan a number of big tournaments after January 1.

Fistic Flashes—Walter Kolby, hard-punching Blasdell lightweight, is home again after 28 months with the U.S. Navy. . . . Walter served in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters. . . . Allen Faulkner is boxing in better form and should be in line for important matches when spring comes. . . . That very excellent boxing judge, George Needham, is still on the sidelines. . . . Lt. Col. Eagan should not overlook Needham. His record speaks for itself. . . . Charlie Pinto informs me that he is now acting as assistant matchmaker for Billy Mitchie and the Fairview Athletic Club. . . . The irrepressible Joe Netro is keeping his large stable busy. . . . Billy Mitchie is a busy man. . . . Besides running the Fairview club Bill is up to his neck in the construction business, operating on a huge scale.

Bert Finch, a pioneer in the fight game and one of the best qualified managers extant, is attempting to build his boxing stable into its pre-war status. . . . Finch has Mike Martyk, St. Catharines lightweight, doing very well but hopes to augment his stable with newcomers. . . . He is anxious to hear from boxers of all weights who are being discharged from the armed forces. . . . Buffalo is a grand spot for fighters who can make the grade. Mr. Finch can be addressed at 863 Ellicott St., Buffalo, N. Y.

The sad news comes to Buffalo that little Frisco Grande, Filipino bantam star of other days, has died in the service of his country as a member of the U. S. Navy. Frisco fought 'em all. . . . Frankie Genaro, Tommy Paul, Kid Chocolate, etc. He didn't pick soft ones.

TAMPA AND VICINITY
By VELASQUES

BILL SALLADE has resigned as promoter for the 116th Field Artillery and Lou Viscusi has replaced him.

Viscusi's coming to Tampa probably means that Willie Pep will appear in a bout here. Viscusi, who manages Pep, would of course have to turn him over to another manager for any Tampa fight promoted by Viscusi.

Ray Delgado, the Cuban featherweight, has scored 13 knockouts in his last 14 bouts. He has lost only two of his 33 starts.

Tampa—Sammy Mammone, Hartford, Conn., won a close bout from Joe Torres, New York, by taking six of the ten rounds. Ernest Nogues, 130, Tampa, floored George Rojo several times before knocking him out in six rounds. Blondy Baggett, 128, Tampa, won a close four round decision from Jack Simon, 132, Tampa. Johnny Garcia, 130, Tampa, won from Johnny Genero, 130, Tampa. Joe Gispert, 140, Tampa, won in four from Kid Bullard, 141, Tampa.

Baby Chino, Tampa welterweight, looks and fights like his uncle, Chino Alvarez. Baby has already won his first four bouts by knockouts.

Elmer Ray is no newcomer. He has been fighting for over ten years and has been stopped only four times. John Henry Lewis knocked him out in 12 rounds in 1938. Larry "Kid" Lovett defeated him for the Florida title, losing it later in another ten round bout. In their third meeting, Ray stopped Lovett in three rounds.

Little Tony who weighs only 106 pounds is fast becoming the most popular boy in Tampa fight circles. Tony who used to be a jockey should go far if handled properly.

Pee Wee Flores has won his last five bouts by knockouts in Mexico and Texas.

Norman Hi Ho Silver outpointed Paddy O'Reilly in eight rounds at Miami.

Tampa—Joey Smithers won a very close ten round decision from Rene Sanchez, which brought on a ten minute booing demonstration by the 1700 fans. Smithers won seven of the ten rounds by a slight edge. The Legion Boxing Commission later reversed the decision to a draw, but officially it stands as first rendered.

Ray Delgado, Cuban featherweight, won over Sammy Andrade, Mexico, in another ten rounder. Andrade, although badly beaten, came back strong to win the seventh, eighth and ninth rounds.

In a thrilling six rounder, Red Gannon came out of the balcony to substitute for Johnny Dupree who failed to show up. He not only stayed the six rounds with Baby Chino but he also got the decision after a slugfest. Little Tony scored a two round knockout over Chino Alonzo, another substitute.

Tampa—Pee Wee Flores, Puerto Rico, 119, defeated Rene Cantero, Cuba, 125, after ten rounds of slow and uninteresting fighting. It was a close fight with both boys taking five rounds, but a strong ninth round rally gave a 6-5 point win to Flores. Vic Feeny, Tampa, 152, won over Red Bryant, 156, Plant City, in the eight round semi-final which was the best bout of the evening. Little Tony, 106, Ybor City, knocked out Jack Kelley, Tampa, 116, in two rounds. Tino Alfonso, Tampa, 131, won over Johnny Janiro, 135, Tampa, in a four rounder. Little Tony made a second appearance by boxing a four round exhibition with Johnny Dupree at catch weights with no decision. Jimmie O'Brien, 135, Tampa, won over Cherobee Howard, 139, Tampa, in a four rounder.

Tampa—Tommy Gomez, 187, Tampa, knocked out Johnny Denson, 197, Indianapolis, in 1:21 of the seventh round. Gomez lost two of the seven rounds, the first when Denson opened an ugly cut over Tommy's left eye, and the fourth by left jabs and rushing Tommy against the ropes. Denson was dropped in the second and sixth rounds and was in bad shape at the end of the sixth, the bell saving him from a K.O.

Red Bryant, Plant City welter, dished out a six round beating to Larry Lynn. The two slugged it out all the way, with Bryant scoring heavily and dropping Lynn three times.

Ralph Hughes won from Bill Scolar in six; Pete Noriega, Tampa lightweight, knocked out Johnny Dupree, Tampa, in the third; Joe Gispert won from Henry Waters in four; Charles Camara knocked out Sonny Holt in the first round.

COVERING NEW ENGLAND
By MARK FANNON

WE greet you this time as a civilian and it sure is good to be back in good old Boston after 3½ years in the army. Things have changed a lot in the boxing game—and with servicemen returning daily, many of them top-notch battlers, this section should see some real talent before long.

The first treat we got was the Priest-Eskew fight, held at Mechanics Building, Boston, before a packed house of 5740 fans. This was a fight we would have seen anyway, having seen both before the army called us. Eskew, since his release from the service, has kayoed all of his 7 opponents, two of them heavyweights—one of them being former National Amateur Champion of the middleweights, Jimmy Mulligan. Priest, also an ex-service man, thrilled Boston fans by his sensational KO of Freddie Cabral, a few weeks previously. Watch Priest! He's the slickest thing around—really championship material.

John Henry Eskew, 158, Brockton Negro, tore out of his corner intent on making Al "Red" Priest, 153, Cambridge, his eighth victim. Terrific lefts and rights came in his direction, but Priest was cool, went on the defensive and sized up his man.

Although dangerous, Eskew never again got the upper hand. Priest began jabbing accurately, punching stiff jolts inside, crossing now and then with a stiff right to the jaw.

John Henry stood up under the punishment well until he stepped into a stiff left to the body. His face took on a sickly look, while Red quickly moved into range and dropped him with a flurry of blows. in his own corner. Eskew was done, gamely beat the count, then fell face forward after taking more terrific rights to the jaw, in the seventh frame.

Floriant Desmarais' title of Inter-Allied lightweight champ, must have scared the judges, for the Manchester, N. H., bear was given the nod over Johnny Priest, brother of Al, in the eight round semi-final.

Joe Albanese, East Boston welter, looked good in chilling Eddie Soares, Negro Providence boy, in five cantos. It was a nice clean, smart bout, with portsider Albanese doing the smarter work. Joe caught Soares coming off the ropes with a right hook and the Providence lad was out.

Billy Murray, Roxbury Negro, stopped Jackie Carroll, another southpaw, of Lawrence, in the fifth.

Tommy Greb, Boston southpaw, halted Ray Allison, Roxbury, in three.

Johnny Pretzie, 192, Boston, stopped Cliff Mann, 185, Florida, in the third frame, after being outboxed in the first session at the Sharkey A.A. show staged in the Boston Arena before 2835 fans.

Pretzie who was fighting his fourth pro fight, is a terrific hitter. Mann, much taller, stabbed a nice straight left into Johnny's face in the first that cut the Boston boy about the mouth.

In the third Pretzie dropped Mann on the lower rope with a smashing left hook. Groggy, Mann arose but ran into a two-fisted barrage from the Boston Powerhouse, now a little less nervous, and was dumped twice more. The referee then halted the affair.

Johnny Priest, 135, Cambridge, boxed a hard-fought draw with his fellow townsman Pedro Crivello, 137, in the eight round semi-final. Priest was floored with a beautiful right to the jaw in the first but came back strong in the late chapters.

Dave Andrews, 142½, Lowell, former Golden Boy of the amateurs, punched out an eight round decision over Jimmy Stewart, 142, Fall River.

Charlie Sardo, 155, Revere, won over Negro Gene Boulden, 148, Providence, in six.

Mike Settino, 193, Dorchester, showed possibilities as he outfought Jim Davenport, 189, New York Negro, in a six rounder.

Buddy Gleason, 134, Cambridge, stopped George Cannon, 136, Lynn, with a two-handed attack in the opening canto.

They are still giving poor decisions in Boston. Sometimes you can't blame outsiders from staying away from the "Bean Town." We need outside fighters here and it shouldn't be too much trouble to give them at least an even break. We like to see our favorites win but not that bad.

The latest gift went to Jackie Harris, 127¼, Malden dynamo, when he was presented the nod over Young Tony (nee Oshiro), 132, Newark, N. J., at the end of ten rounds. This was the main bout of a Callahan A.C. show at Mechanics Building, before another full house.

Harris has recently returned from the C.B.I. Theater of Operations where he raised havoc among the feathers of the Air Corps. Since his discharge, he had piled up several impressive wins until he ran into this same Young Tony in Fall River.

Tony, an Hawaiian-American, outboxed Jackie most of the way. Harris, on the other hand, was much the stronger and harder hitter. In the last two rounds Harris began to wear down the Newark boy, but didn't have things his own way by any means. Young Tony should have received no less than a draw.

George "Dick" Tracey, 198, Newark, N. J., a good looking kid, lost to veteran Big Boy Baker, 219, Everett, at the end of ten gruelling rounds. It was anyone's fight at the start of the seventh, then old man experience came in. Tracy is a fine prospect but we would like to see him fight six rounders for a while.

Johnny Cesario, 143½, North End, came through for home fans with a dramatic six round kayo over slim Tom McDaniels, 138½, Pittsburgh Negro. McDaniels is called the "Black Panther." The bout was stopped by the referee in the third due to a cut eye.

Jack "Spider" Armstrong, 129, former Toronto boy, now of Boston, stayed around too short a time while disposing of a sub, one Al Cella, 130¼, of Brooklyn, in two heats.

Cella was game and willing but the Spider was too smart and gave him no rest. Armstrong dropped Cella five times in the first.

Some 13,000 fans saw Jake LaMotta, New York City, leading middleweight contender, ruin old Walter "Popeye" Woods, 167, New York, in the seventh, at Boston Garden. It was fast punching Jake most of the way over "Popeye" who had become quite a favorite due to his fancy win over Coley Welsh.

Joe LaMotta, Jake's brother, disposed of Broadway Johnny Jones, in the fifth frame.

Johnny Johnson, 155, Philadelphia, won the decision over Bill Tordiglione, North End, in six rounds.

Art Tatta, 163, New Haven, recently discharged from the Army, resumed his punching career by whipping James Pettie, 156, Woburn, in six.

Willie Pep, 130, Hartford, beat Eddie Giosa, 135, Philadelphia, in ten beautiful rounds of shadow boxing at Mechanics Bldg., Boston. As early as the fourth round fans were walking out of the hall. Boston, known for its critical judgment of events, wants to see fights, and though Pep is the slickest thing to grace the squared circle in a decade, the fans thought they were entitled to more than dancing.

Pep, always elusive, slapped countless lefts to Giosa's face, made him miss his own shots and generally confused him all the way along.

"Spider" Armstrong, Boston, 128¼, stole the show by lacing game Young Tony, 133, Newark, N. J., in the eight round semi-final. Fans were wishing Armstrong was in there with Pep.

Tommy Sullivan, 171½, South Boston, sunk a stiff right to Mike Gagne's, 176, and the Spencer boy went out in the first heat.

Billy Murray, 130, Roxbury Negro, won over Joe Wasnick, 129, New Haven, in six hard-fighting rounds. Wasnick took a lot of punishment in the first five rounds but wound up the stronger in the sixth.

Joe Albanese, 155, East Boston, won by a KO when Tom Collins, 152, New Haven Negro, hurt his hand in the fifth and couldn't come out for the final frame.

JABS FROM ST. LOUIS AND VICINITY
By BUS BURKE

THE pro boxing card promoted by St. Louis's newest promoter, Leon (Hans) Bernstein, was a big success. Bernstein, who is promoting in the Keil Auditorium, came forth for his initial venture locally with a very well-matched and crowd-pleasing punch parade. The show grossed over $5000 and the outlook for the future Bernstein promotions look favorable. A large part of the success of the evening's activities can be laid at the door of St. Louis's own little Charley Riley, who is a veteran of the fistic wars, having fought since he was 15 years old. Charlie is now 23 years old and has a most remarkable record. He has gone to the post 41 times and out of that he has emerged victorious 40 times, having 33 knockouts and 7 decision wins. His one loss was to Jackie Graves by the K.O. route in the second round. Results of the show was as follows:

Charley Riley, St. Louis, Mo., won via the T.K.O. route in the eighth round from Ossie Peguese, Elmwood, Pa., featherweights. Sparky Reynolds, Cincinnati, Ohio, won an eight-round decision from Dave Riley, St. Louis (brother of Charlie), welterweights. Hank Postaway, Scott Field, Illinois, won in six rounds by a decision over Jimmy Fields, St. Louis, heavyweights. Nicky Sanders, St. Louis, won a six-round decision over Eddie Lee, St. Louis, in a featherweight duel.

Fred Latson, St. Louis, won in four rounds with a decision over Oliver Johnson, St. Louis, featherweights.

William H. Herring has been appointed as a member of the Missouri State Athletic Commission by Governor Donnelly to succeed Mr. Heyne. As soon as the official confirmation comes through Mr. Herring will announce the location of his headquarters and the appointment of his deputies. Floyd W. Jones of Springfield, Mo., has been named chairman of the commission.

"Biz" Kenney, the veteran St. Louis fight announcer, died at his home in St. Louis on November 17th after spending most of the last eight weeks in St. John's Hospital. For the past many years no St. Louis boxing or wrestling program was complete without the stentorian voice of the most likable Kenny booming out and announcing the names and weights of the boys in the corner.

Fighters and managers with fighters wishing to show in St. Louis will do well to contact Leon (Hans) Bernstein at the Maryland Hotel, Ninth and Pine Streets in St. Louis, Mo.

High schools in this district are at last getting the urge to enter teams in the Golden Gloves Tournament. At the Eureka High School in St. Louis County 15 boys are prepping themselves for the gala affair at the Arena in February.

RIGHT CROSSES: The Greater St. Louis *Globe Democrats* Golden Gloves Tournament will get under way the week of February 4th at the Oakland Avenue Arena. . . . Leon Haire, the flashy St. Louis featherweight, is on his way in from the European Theatre of War to be discharged. . . . Harold Boyd, a St. Louis welter, has issued a challenge to Major Jones, the punching 147-pounder from Kansas City. . . . Nicky Sanders, 118-pounder from St. Louis, is on his way to New York to add to his knowledge in the pugilistic biz. While in New York the Mound City Clouter will be under the supervision of Lou Meyers. . . . Eddie Lee, of St. Louis, dropped an eight-round decision to Ray Ava of San Antonio at San Antonio on November 21. Both boys weighed 128 pounds. . . . Jess Hesteranu Bob Turner, two local St. Louis boys, have in recent days acquired the boxing contract of Charlie Riley.

On November 19 Hans Bernstein promoted at Kiel Auditorium, featuring Charlie Riley and Pete Bolos, a most crowd-pleasing ten-rounder which went the route. Riley gained the unanimous decision over Bolos. This makes 40 fights won for Riley out of a total of 41 pro starts. Attendance at this card was 2495, who contributed to a gate of $4418.20.

The results follow: Charlie Riley (126), St. Louis, won a ten-round decision from Pete Bolos (125), Detroit. Jimmy Parker, referee.

Dave Riley (144), St. Louis, won a knockout in the first round of a scheduled eight-rounder over Johnny O'Hara (152½), from Chicago. Herbert Kranz, referee.

Larry Watson (160), Omaha, won on a T.K.O. over Kit McQueen (162), St. Louis. McQueen couldn't or wouldn't come out for the second round. Herbert Kranz, referee.

Jimmy Martin (140), Chicago, won with a T.K.O. over Hal Boyd (146), St. Louis. Boyd injured his left hand. Bob Ingham, referee.

Fred Latsom (127), St. Louis, won on a T.K.O. over Charley Stacker (128), St. Louis, in the third round. Bob Ingham, referee.

Judges, Gene Farrell and Al Graf.

Send all news of interest to readers of this column to Bus Burke, 601 St. Louis Street, De Soto, Mo. I would also appreciate the receiving of autographed pictures of fighters from anywhere to add to my collection.

FIGHTIN' WORDS FROM TOLEDO
By ED HACKLEY

THERE was no action on Toledo's fistic front the past month, although three shows were scheduled.

Charley Brown, local sportsman, and Dutch Mauder, who for twenty years has been one of Toledo's outstanding sports figures, are at the helm of a new organization, the American Athletic Club. Mauder has been one of the pioneers of all branches of sports in Toledo. He was one of the founders and past presidents of the Toledo Amateur Baseball Federation, also of the Amateur Basketball Federation, and of the Northwestern Ohio Officials League. He has also been president of the local boxing commission.

Local fighters did not fare so well on the road. Ace Miller was decisively beaten by Candy McDaniels in New Orleans, and Larry Moreland lost in a four-rounder in Detroit in what was described as a great fight. Gene Harris lost a thriller to Jimmy Howard of Akron in the latter's hometown. Both Harris and Howard were on the floor in this bloody melee. Perry Mason went out to the Rolleratorium to pick up some change and stopped three boys in as many rounds. The combination boxing-wrestling cards there draw well for the location. Mason stopped Benny Kramer, John Valdares, and Elmer Darby in successive weeks in a round each.

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IN CHICAGO
With GENE ENGEL

JAKE LAMOTTA, 159, had an easy time with Charley Parham, Milwaukee 154-pounder, in a ten-rounder at the Chicago Stadium. LaMotta didn't even work up a sweat to stop Parham in 59 seconds of the sixth round. The referee halted the bout.

What Jake's battle lacked in action, his brother's battle with Art Brown made up. It was a scorcher from start to finish. Joey smashed Brown to the canvas twice in the first round and outblasted his Negro opponent to win easily. LaMotta weighed 157 to Brown's 150½.

Robert Satterfield, 165½-pounder, beat Collins Brown in 1:42 of the first round.

In the five-round preliminaries Gene Roberts, Danville, Ill., had to work hard in order to obtain a draw with Herman Mills, Chicago 130-pound Southsider. Roberts weighed 121 pounds.

Red Grant, Denver, Colorado, 130-pounder, won a hard fought battle from Butch Maxwell, Gary, Indiana, 130½-pounder.

And in the opener, Jack Hill won on a TKO over Art Saxwell. Light-heavies. Cut eye from Hill's southpaw slants in round five.

Willie Joyce proved his superiority over Joey Barnum in a ten round Chicago Stadium rematch. Barnum, a Chicago lad now fighting out of Los Angeles, fought gamely but met his master. Joyce scaled 137 and Barnum 140.

O'Neill Bell, Detroit, Michigan, knocked out "Sugar" Costner in the seventh round. As they came to the center of the ring for this round, Bell unleashed a timely left hook that spilled Costner for the fatal ten. In the previous round, the sixth, the Wolverine glove flailer made the Cincinnatian kiss the canvas for a three count. Bell weighed 150 pounds, Costner 145.

Gene Roberts, Danville, Ill., featherweight, nailed Georgie Hahn, Cincinnati 126-pounder, for the ten count in the fourth.

Marty Collura, Milwaukee, 148½-pounder, pounded out a spine tingling five round verdict over Pete Ferrand, South Chicago, 150¼-pounder. Ferrand was floored twice.

In the opening six Jerry Pittro proved too much for Pete Leno, Cincinnati 152-pounder, and was credited with a four round TKO. The gross gate amounted to $33,120.

Jimmy Joyce, brother of the more famed Willie, scored the most noteworthy victory of his career, and at the same time, the biggest upset among the younger crop of talent, when he put the crusher on Jackie Graves in the second round at Omaha, Nebraska.

Bob Satterfield, young light-heavyweight, belonging to Ike Bernstein, stopped Bob Garner in two rounds at the Ashland Auditorium.

Paul Darvy beat Ernie Stevenson via the kayo route in four heats; Willie Moore and Curtis Filer went five rounds to a draw; Curtis Smith ended his bout with Terry Smith in three rounds; Hank Okura, Japanese lightweight, stowed away Ted Bernadoe in three rounds.

Dan Robinson, South Side lightweight Negro, stopped Talmadge Bussy in two rounds.

Bill Parsons, clouting Danville, Ill., welterweight, spoiled Harvey Dubs' return from service by putting the Canadian away in the second round at the Marigold Gardens Arena.

Jimmy Hunt and Tommy James, Negroes, went five rounds to a standstill. They are welterweights.

In the prelims, Mel Workman, South Bend, Indiana, middleweight, stopped Jimmy Wilson of Chicago in two rounds.

Leroy Scales of Chicago beat Young Mitchell, also of Chicago, in a five rounder. They are light-heavies. Marty Collura of Milwaukee defeated Pete Ferrand of Chicago in a four-rounder and Oscar Williams, Chicago, toppled Herman Mills over for the count in two rounds.

Mack Parshey of Detroit, Michigan, achieved his third victory in four Chicago appearances when he won a terrific contest from Bob Garner, Louisville, Ky., 185 pound heavyweight.

Dan Robinson, South Side Negro welterweight, appeared for a second time as a semi-finalist. This time Dan defeated Pat Bridges in five rounds.

Willie Moore scored his second Ashland Auditorium knockout by beating Peter Jackson in five rounds. Jesse Yarber finished Andy Canal in four heats and Jackie Boyd, '45 flyweight Golden Gloves champ, made his debut with a win over John Garcia in four rounds.

Several Chicago and nearby boxers trekked up to Milwaukee, Wis., to do battle, with Luther Brent engaging Tony Martin in the featured attraction and getting knocked out in five heats.

Bob Fowler, Chicago Negro welterweight, won from Mike Sopko, rugged Indiana Harbor middleweight, in eight rounds.

Ted Christie, now making Chicago his home, beat Frankie Gaudes in six rounds and Jimmy Martin stopped Charley Pope in two heats.

Bill Parsons, walloping Danville boy, won unanimously in a rematch with Harvey Dubs of Windsor, Ontario, in a Marigold eight round windup.

The semi-windup found Bob Fowler scoring a technical knockout over Jimmy Hunt, Chicago Negro welterweight—an eye injury suffered by Hunt prompted the attending physician to halt proceedings.

Ray Carter stretched Curtis Smith of St. Louis out for the count in round three while Hank Okura won a close decision from Butch Maxwell of Gary, Ind., and James Adell of Chicago kayoed Dave Griffin of Gary in the third.

Clayton Worlds, towering Negro heavyweight, gained a second triumph over Colion Chaney, Indianapolis, Ind., heavyweight, in a tenner. Chaney's awkward tactics and Worlds' incessant refusal to lead, bored the fans.

Three knockouts featured the preliminary card. Mel Workman, South Bend, Ind., light-heavy, knocked out Bob West of Cincinnati, Ohio, in the third; Oscar Williams, Chicago lightweight, and Willie Moore, Chicago light-heavyweight, won in two heats apiece. Williams connected for the count over Oliver Cobbins, Cincinnatian, and Moore turned the trick against Aron Willims of St. Louis, Missouri.

Butch Maxwell won a thriller from Hank Okura, in a four rounder, and Larry Jenke, another Cincinnati boy, conquered Jerry Pittro, in a pleasing five rounder at the Marigold Gardens Arena.

Fighters and managers seeking bookings in Chicago contact Gene Engel, 2121 East 68th Street, Chicago, Ill. Foreward me the fighter's complete record, a photo and newspaper clippings.

IOWA, NEBRASKA AND SOUTH DAKOTA SPARKS
By BILL HAWKINS

OMAHA, NEB.—Jimmy Joyce, 132½, Gary, Ind., boxer, stopped Jackie Graves, 130½, of Austin, Minn., in 27 seconds of the second round to win the feature event of a boxing card staged here. The punch which ended the bout was the first heavy one Joyce landed and ended Graves' bid for his twenty-seventh professional boxing triumph. The Indiana Negro kept under cover in the first heat, and opened up in the second to send Graves down for the count.

Newton, Ia.—Bob Rossie of Iowa City, former Iowa and Illinois Golden Gloves champion, knocked out Walter Brobst, Newton, in the second round of the light-heavyweight bout that featured an eight bout boxing card. The meet was the first of a series of Jasper county amateur boxing tournaments to be sponsored during the season by the local Junior Chamber of Commerce. Over 1,000 boxing fans turned out for the show.

Des Moines, Ia.—Jackie Graves, 131½, Austin, Minn., knocked out Billy Heath, 133½, Des Moines, Ia., third round.

Ray Spurlock, 160, Kansas City, decisioned Roland Taylor, 165, Des Moines, six rounds.

Royal Martin, 148, Des Moines, decisioned Chief Crazy Horse, 144, St. Paul, six rounds.

Jim Lowrey, 152, Rock Island, knocked out Jack Madsen, 150, St. Joseph, in fourth round.

Billy McClure, 209, Minneapolis, knocked out Jim Merrit, 182, St. Joseph, in first round.

Davenport, Ia.—Billy Heath and Hank Ulrich, Des Moines boxers, chalked up knockouts here in features of a ring card.

Heath, 138, knocked out Chief Crazy Horse, Billings, Mont., welterweight, in the sixth round of a scheduled eight-rounder after putting the Indian down twice in the fifth.

Ulrich, fighting his first fight since his discharge from the navy, scored a technical knockout over Tony Dumoulin, 125, Rock Island, Ill., in the second when the referee stopped the fight to save the latter from further punishment.

Kid Adkinson, 180, St. Paul, decisioned Ted Morrison, 185, Rosemont, Minn., in another feature eight-rounder.

Newton, Ia.—Walter Brobst of Newton won a decision from Junior Pierre of Colfax in the light-heavyweight match, featured event of a seven-bout card at the Y gymnasium here. Jasper county boxers and a Des Moines team participated in the meet, the second of a series to be sponsored during the season by the local Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Attendance numbered more than 800 persons. Buddy Davis, Newton, and Joe Niebur, Colfax, both slightly over the 100-pound weight, provided the curtain raiser with a three-round exhibition match, which Davis won on decision.

Last Minute Sparks—The 12th annual Sioux City Golden Gloves amateur boxing tournament will be held in the Shrine Auditorium on February 11, 12, 13 and 14, 1946. . . . The tournament is sponsored for charity under the direction of the Sioux City *Journal-Tribune*. . . . Teams from Yankton, S. D.; Aberdeen, S. D.; Randolph, Neb.; Winner, S. D.; Rapid City, S. D.; Flandreau, S. D.; and other points in South Dakota, besides northeastern Nebraska and northwestern Iowa will be entered in the meet. . . . "Pop" Terry, Slayton, Minn., boxing promoter is making plans for a busy indoor boxing season. . . . Pinkie George, Des Moines boxing promoter, is seeking some high class boxing talent for his winter cards. . . . The Triangle club at Iowa City sponsored an athletic program which included boxing and wrestling on the recent Iowa homecoming program. . . . Joey Alvano, former Sioux City Golden Gloves boxer, has joined the professional ranks in Los Angeles.

Fighting at 126 pounds, the Sioux Cityan defeated Battling Rosendo in his first six-round bout at the Los Angeles Olympic Auditorium. . . . Alvano has won seven of his 10 pro bouts. . . . In 1943 in the Sioux City amateur meet, Alvano fought in the 118 pound class. . . . He scored a TKO over David Peaks of Flandreau, S. D., and won over Don Vobel of Wagner, S. D., before losing his third bout on points to Billy Sitzman of Sioux City. . . . At Omaha, Neb., Don Lee, 150½, Omaha and Billy Deeg, 150, of Corpus Christi, Tex., drew in 10 rounds. . . . Tony Cordaro, Des Moines boxing writer, is a civilian again.

From Mason City, Ia., comes some very important boxing news. . . . Russ Kelly, former Mason City fight promoter who has been in Chicago for a number of years, will return here to resume his promotions. . . . His nephew Johnny, who was recently discharged from the navy, will work with him. . . . He will start his promotions with a Golden Gloves team to send to Chicago and will also stage professional boxing cards. . . . Russ would like to hear from his old friends around Iowa and can be reached at the Hotel Eadmar in Mason City. . . See you next month.

Remember our address is 1900 Wall Street, Sioux City 19, Ia., and boxers and managers wishing bookings in this section are urged to get in touch with the writer at once.

HEARD AND SEEN IN MICHIGAN
By MICKEY McINTIRE

SGT. JIMMY EDGAR, Detroit's contender for middleweight honors, took the spotlight on Promoter Orville Godfrey's recent Arena Gardens program, by scoring a nine round knockout over the rugged and hard-hitting Joe Reddick, Jerseyite.

Joey Maxim, Cleveland protege of Jack Kearns, impressed in an Arena Gardens headliner, as he won handily from Cleo Everett.

Promoter Hap Tucker, over in Windsor, put on a show featuring Holman Williams, who had little trouble beating Canadian Len Wadsworth. He also had Kayo Morgan on his card.

The Paul Revere A.C., located on Sproat St., just off of Woodward, is taking its place as one of the best equipped gymnasiums. The manager, Eddie Kovacs, is a prince of a fellow, and fighters passing through or coming to Detroit to box are welcome to train there until they get started or until they break in around here. Recently most all of the top liners to appear here have trained there.

In a card promoted by Nick Londes at Olympia, Izzy Jannazzo, veteran globe trotting New Yorker, and still a great campaigner, turned back the challenge of youthful Frankie Abrams in one half of a double windup. In the other feature, Phil Terranova, fast becoming a prime favorite here, outpointed Southpaw Bill Eddy in ten.

Bobby McIntire, keeping busy as a junior welterweight, journeyed to Kansas City, Kansas, to combat the dynamite punching young southpaw, Major Jones, over the eight round route, and turned in a give-and-take scrap before a packed house. Kansas is one of the few states remaining where no official decisions are rendered, and they still have no decision bouts.

Willie Russell, great little fighter from Columbus, Ohio, continued as one of the greatest competitors in the mid-west, as he kayoed the up-and-coming Bobby Fowler in round two.

O'Neill Bell, Detroit welterweight, impressed greatly, as he kayoed George "Sugar" Costner in a Chicago bout. O'Neill seems headed for the big time.

Pete Bolos beat Harold Jackson in Kansas City, but lost to Charley Riley in a St. Louis windup. Bolos is being kept busy by Merle Richards.

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SCHOFIELD BARRACKS BOXING NEWS

By MAJ. K. S. VANDERGRIFT

Special Hawaiian Islands Correspondent, THE RING

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS, ISLAND OF OAHU, HAWAII—With more than 12,000 service fans packing the big Schofield Barracks arena each night, two preview boxing cards have been presented to boxing devotees of Oahu, Territory of Hawaii. Each of the cards featured Terry Gibson, outstanding Pacific Coast welterweight protege of Henry Armstrong who is now a soldier at the famous Hawaiian Post.

In the first fight the clever Terry Gibson needed only two minutes of the first round to knock out Pedro Maravez, professional 148-pounder from Corpus Christi, Texas. Gibson showed the soldier fight fans the ring personality, skill, speed and power that has made him a big attraction in California rings.

In the second fight card Terry Gibson took on Frank Lia of Honolulu in a four round exhibition. For four rounds he held off the finishing punch allowing Lia to finish. Gibson showed terrific class all the way and could have had a kayo at will. Following his second appearance all Hawaiian sports writers including Vernon (Red) McQueen, sports editor and boxing expert of the Honolulu *Advertiser*, took notice of Soldier Terry Gibson. McQueen has suggested a warm-up bout for Gibson against Clever Henry, former Manila Brown Doll and great Hawaiian favorite.

If Gibson gets past Clever Henry, Sports Editor McQueen suggests a fight then with Frankie Fernandez, Hawaiian welterweight champion. The thousands of soldier fight followers of Soldier Terry Gibson feel certain their man could whip the Hawaiian champion over the 15 round route. Future plans for Gibson include a series of fights against all possible top service talent in the Schofield Bowl during the current season. He then may step in against the other talent. The soldier service shows come first at Schofield.

Another hot package of the Hawaiian fistic world at Schofield Barracks is Private Marino Tiwinak, 18-year-old Filipino sensation. Recently inducted into the Army and now serving at Schofield Barracks. Tiwinak was the biggest attraction in the Honolulu Civic Auditorium. Fighting under the promotion of Leo Leavitt, Tiwinak chalked up seven straight wins, six of them by the kayo route.

Tiwinak will show in Schofield cards this season. A former amateur champion and touted as a real prospect in the pro game, Private Tiwinak will add much color to the Schofield fight scene this year.

Schofield Barracks' fight fans are also highly pleased over the professional debut of last year's lightweight king, Marciel Baptiste. Before he won the Schofield crown, Baptiste copped the South Pacific All-Service title winning 17 bouts, 14 by knockouts.

In the Honolulu Civic Auditorium ring, Baptiste in two fights, has won sensational kayoes both times out and is the main event drawing card that packs them in.

Brigadier General Wayne C. Smith, a well known former boxing coach at Schofield Barracks, has returned to the mighty Hawaiian Islands' garrison as the commanding general. The popular young commander with 25 years of service in the regular Army behind him, served as the boxing coach of the famed 19th Infantry Chicks at Schofield Barracks during the seasons of 1937, 1938 and 1939. His boxing stable was a constant contender for the Army crown and his individual stars included such men as heavyweight Mendell Marchese, Chick Raffa and Billy Anderson, all Hawaiian Division and Hawaiian Department champions.

General Smith served as an enlisted man, winning a competitive appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point while a sergeant. At West Point he starred as a wrestler winning the lightweight crown and later adding the junior welter title in the Southern Olympics. General Smith has also gained fame as a strong distance swimmer and only this past year was awarded the Soldiers' Medal for saving a soldier and a young lady from drowning in the heavy surf off Waimanalo, Oahu, Hawaii.

Under General Smith's aggressive leadership Schofield Barracks expects to have the biggest boxing program this season ever staged in the Hawaiian Islands. Plans call for weekly cards every Thursday night featuring the Redlander stable against the best of other service teams from the Navy, Marines, Air Forces, Coast Guard and civilian clubs. This series will be followed by the bracket tournament which will be climaxed with Schofield's famous Night of Championships, the night the nine Post champs fight it out for the individual crowns.

Schofield fight results:

Results of the first fight card staged this season in the Big Bowl at Schofield Barracks before 12,000 fans were as follows:

Bobby Monroe, 155, Cleveland, Ohio, dec. Blackie Featheran, 150, Honolulu.

Eugene Wallace, 135, New York City, dec. Rudy Perez, 135, Honolulu.

Pee Wee Roberts, 121, Philadelphia, Pa., dec. Tommie Morita, 120, Honolulu.

Chuck Nelson, 155, Chicago, Ill., dec. Albert Choy, 155, Honolulu.

Kenneth Asato, 121, Honolulu, dec. Billy Boy Bonshiko, 121, Honolulu.

Charlie Sims, 157, Chicago, Ill., TKO'd 1st rd., Eddie Nahie, 156, Honolulu.

Ed Walsh, 195, Chicago, Ill., dec. Cruz Torres, 191, Detroit, Mich.

Manuel Lia, 142, Honolulu, KO'd 2nd rd., Manuel Victorino, 145, Waialaua, Oahu.

Terry Gibson, 145, Los Angeles, Calif., KO'd 1st rd., Pedro Maravez, 148, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Officials: Walter Cho, Willie Whittle and Allan Dodd. Matchmakers: Captain Jake Powell and 1st Sgt. Daniel Smith.

Results of the Thanksgiving Day card were as follows:

Albert Choy, 156, Honolulu, dec. Bobby Monroe, 155, Cleveland, Ohio.

Pee Wee Roberts, 116, Philadelphia, Pa., dec. Joe Dias, 114, Honolulu.

David Buna, 115, Honolulu, KO'd 2nd rd., Billy Boy Bonshiko, 114, Honolulu.

Eugene Wallace, 139, Chicago, Ill., TKO'd 1st rd., Stanley Barber, 139, Kauai, Hawaii.

Chuck Nelson, 159, Chicago, dec. Johnny Purcell, 157, Albany, N. Y.

Gus Walker, 168, Detroit, Mich., dec. Ed Russell, 165, New York City.

Ed Walsh, 197, Chicago, Ill., dec. Cleveland Jones, 205, New York City.

Charlie Sims, 164, Johnston, Pa., dec. Ray Dioses, 160, Los Angeles, Calif.

Terry Gibson, 144, Los Angeles, Calif., dec. Frank Lia, 142, Honolulu (exhibition).

Officials: John Pizano, John Noonan and Roy Clifford of the War Department athletic university faculty.

The second card was matched by Captain Jake Powell, Schofield athletic officer, in cooperation with Dado Marino of Hickam Field. Marino will shortly return to civilian life and take up the defense of his Hawaiian Islands bantamweight championship.

AT THE CENTURY A.C. OF BALTIMORE

By DAVE KREUTER

ARCHIE MOORE, the nation's leading light-heavyweight contender, turned the tables on Holman Williams who had defeated him a few weeks earlier, when he thoroughly shellacked and stopped Williams at the end of the eleventh round of a scheduled twelve round mill.

After dropping the second round because of a low blow, Moore opened the third round with a barrage of heavy punches which threatened to finish Williams. Williams, displaying amazing recuperative powers, boxed beautifully as he outstepped the hard-hitting St. Louis Negro, causing him to miss frequently.

Archie took command from the seventh round on, lambasting Williams almost at will through the eighth, ninth, and tenth chapters. A perfectly timed right flattened Holman in the tenth heat and it appeared that the Detroit gamester would never beat the count, but he arose and continued to confound Moore and the capacity crowd with his flashy footwork. Moore finally applied the crusher in the eleventh when he dropped Williams with a vicious body blow, and as Holman arose, polished him off with a series of socks to the head and body.

Referee Ed Brockman called a halt as Holman was lying helpless on his face with half his body out of the ring as the bell sounded ending the eleventh round. Moore weighed 169½; Williams, 161¼.

Johnny Ditto, 169½, and Al Spalding, 174, staged a six round slugfest which ended in a draw. Eddie Thomas, 125, came back from a first round knockdown to beat Jimmy Ricco, 126¼, in six.

Three scheduled fours failed to go the distance. Young Lee Q. Murray, 127, stopped Bill Reed, 126½, in two; Tony Argo, 136½, kayoed Earl Dodson, 135, in two, and Melvin Wade, 143, required the same amount of time to halt Kid Grant, 140.

In the Century Club's main attraction, on December 3, Jimmy Bell, 185¼, of Washington, D. C., upset a heavily favored Joe Baksi, 218½, of Kulpmont, Pa., before a crowd of 2205, who paid $5908 to gain admission. Bell, a 1 to 10 underdog, was in trouble several times, but he managed to get out of it by continually sending left jabs to his opponent's face. The Washingtonian, who was given two rounds on fouls, was awarded the decision by two of the three judges.

Harry Parisi of Baltimore, 131, remained out for 10 minutes in his fight with Bobby Summers, 134, of Annapolis, after hitting the canvas for the second time in 2:50 of the first round of a scheduled five-round affair.

In sixes, Bobby Lee, 138¾, of Baltimore, knocked out Edgar Poe, 141½, in 2:25 of the fourth round, and Norville Gaddis, 147¼, pounded out a unanimous decision over Ben Davis, 146.

In fours, Tony Argo, 140½, won a unanimous decision from Edsel Thomas, 138, while Arthur Bethea, 151, did the same to Eddie Davis, 149¾.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH

By BROADWAY JOHNNY COX

THE past year provided plenty of color and upsets in professional boxing in New Orleans with the game drawing more money than in any previous year in the history of legalized boxing. A new boxing commission was named on November 26 to succeed I. Mattes, Robert Heim and Tom Littleton. Supt. Hunter Huckaby of the State Police Department named Al Liska, Secretary; Bernie Grenrood, Chairman, and Dr. Lloyd Landry, Treasurer.

Bernard Docusen, who started the revival of boxing here in 1943 and who set new gate and attendance records, is still in the U.S. Army stationed in Arkansas. Docusen's entry into the Army spoiled gates which would have reached as high as $40,000 had not the Army teamed Docusen up with Uncle Sam.

While Docusen disappeared from the picture, another youngster came into the limelight to draw good gates, but nothing compared to those Docusen attracted. He is Jock Leslie, Flint, Mich., featherweight, managed by Lester Krell, Arizona ranch owner. Leslie attracted the fancy of the gallery gods here by scoring six consecutive knockouts. He was then matched with N.B.A. champion, Sal Bartolo of Boston, Mass., Bartolo was too experienced for the blond "killer" of the featherweights and won a ten round decision over Leslie. Bartolo and Leslie drew a net gate of $9,000 in a ten round non-title fight which indicates that New Orleans is one of the major boxing centers in the country.

Another local boy who had been campaigning around New York, Augie Lapara, returned home and drew gates of $4,000 to $5,000 and suffered two straight defeats in his last two starts. Carlos Chavez, California Mexican, gave Lapara a ten round trouncing having Augie on the floor for nine.

Pete Virgin, upstate New York featherweight, followed up Chavez's victory by winning a ten round verdict over Lapara. The Virgin defeat was a big upset as Lapara was a 5 to 1 favorite to defeat Virgin. Augie looked stale and needed a rest after a tough fight like the Chavez one was.

The fistic game lost a fine friend, a one time great referee, a twice former president of the National Boxing Association and the first chairman of a boxing commission ever appointed in Louisiana, when Richard T. (Dick) Burke passed away recently.

Known from New Orleans to New York and from New York to California, Burke had attended practically every heavyweight championship fight staged in the U.S. during the past 45 years. He was a great admirer of Tommy Gibbons, and served as timekeeper for Gibbons at the Dempsey-Gibbons battle staged at Shelby, Mont.

There was no doubt that Dick Burke when a referee and a boxing commissioner handled the sport better than any individual of his time. As a referee he was 100 percent honest. As a boxing commissioner, Dick Burke always played the game on the level, and rendered an honest decision even if it had to harm one of his best friends who was the promoter or manager of a fighter involved.

Now with New Orleans going in high gear Louis Messina, the oldest promoter in business here, yet one of the youngest in the U.S., has Lew Raymond as matchmaker. Messina also stages Negro fights on Friday nights at the Coliseum Arena.

Messina can be contacted at the Gypsy Tea Room, 1432 St. Ann Street; Matchmaker Raymond makes his headquarters at the Lynrose Hotel, 508 St. Charles St.

Another club is in the field operating white fights twice monthly. Heard Ragas, who pilots the Jax girls' softball team, is teamed up with Emile Bruneau, as matchmaker. Bruneau has been managing fighters here for the past two decades. Matchmaker Bruneau can be located at the B & W Package Store, 100 N. Broad St., New Orleans, La.

Another landmark passed out of business when the 139 Baronne Street Gymnasium closed up. The building has been leased by a department store for a storeroom.

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The 139 Baronne Street Gymnasium was a clean and well equipped one, but Charley Rodriguez and Joe Russo, who opened the 828 Gravier Street Gymnasium have neglected nothing in seeing that it is the best ever in Dixieland.

Fighters unattached, who desire fights in the South, can contact this writer, Broadway Johnny Cox, DeSoto Hotel, New Orleans, La.

IN CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA
By DANNY MYERS

AT Harrisburg, Al Cox, promoter, and Ike Wolf, matchmaker, had Harold Jamaica Smith, 151, Philadelphia, and Sydney Miller, 159, New York City, in the eight-round wind-up feature. It was a very unsatisfactory bout that ended in a draw.

In the semi-windup of six rounds, Bobby Waters, 132, Harrisburg, defeated Johnny "Red" Fees, 137, Lebanon, Pa. Waters is a very clever lad.

Jimmy Stewart, 144, of Meads, W. Va., a last-minute substitute, was stopped in 1:16 of the first round by Joey Murphy, 147, Harrisburg.

In a bout of six rounds, Walter Johnson, 141, Philadelphia, won by a K.O. in 30 seconds of the second round over Silverio Dehises, 133, Mexico City.

In the opening six, Brown "Kid" Lee, 130, Huntington, W. Va., beat Willie Thomas, 130, Chester, Pa.

On November 1, Cox and Wolf presented a bill in which Jimmy Hill, 151, Harrisburg, won by a K.O. over Billy Goodman, 150, Philadelphia, in the third round.

Johnny "Red" Fees, 137, Lebanon, Pa., won a six-round decision from Pedro Sanchez, 140, Mexico City.

Joe Murphy, 147, Harrisburg, won by a K.O. over Sammy Jetson, 148, Philadelphia, in round two of a scheduled six-rounder.

Bobby Waters, 132, Harrisburg, won a six-round decision from Tino Rosas, 144, Mexico City.

Brown "Kid" Lee, Huntington, W. Va., won over Johnny Fulton, 129, Philadelphia, in six. Lee came in at 127 pounds.

If you have ambitions to further your boxing ability and are intent on going up the ladder, you will do well by contacting the writer at 3304 Spring Street, Harrisburg, Pa., if you have no manager.

SPOKANE NEWS
By JIMMY TANSY

CO-PROMOTER CLAYTON GROSS started boxing on the comeback trail again with Kenny Lindsay, featherweight champion of Canada, hooking up in a ten-rounder with Bobby Richards of California. This was Lindsay's first fight since his discharge from the armed forces and he was a little rusty, but he won easily.

The semi-final of eight rounds proved the best fight of the evening, with Duane Hoag, Portland's featherweight aspirant, taking a very narrow decision from Benny Jerome of the Pasco Naval Base. These boys have met twice before and both times the verdict was a draw. Max Schindler, Geiger Field, showed plenty of class in trimming Baby Sanches, Portland featherweight, in six. Jack Chapman of Spokane took the measure of Smoky Jones in four. Chapman and Jones are light-heavies.

The second card in as many weeks was held at the Gonzaga Gymnasium. Speedy Cannon upset the dope by not only stopping Glenn Northcutt's growing kayo string of 13 in a row but he added insult to injury by scoring a knockout in five rounds. A cut eye due to a butt was the cause. Duane Hoag beat Max Schinder of Geiger Field. Benny Jerome, a boy who is improving since he hired Kaley Sonner as his trainer, met Baby Sanches in an eight-rounder and won every round. In the curtain-raiser, Don Laird, a former amateur welterweight champion, was stopped in the first round by Joe Brillo of Spokane.

Joey Dolan, who left for New York a few weeks ago, has won five in a row there to date .... Tiger Fox and Kaley Sonner, two of Spokane's "retired" fighters, took time out to score knockouts on a recent card in Lewistown.

BOXING IN MANILA

FIVE THOUSAND wild boxing fans, mostly G.I. Joes, jam-packed the Cebu Boxing Stadium to watch Sgt. Sal Scornovacca, Italian kid from Newark, New Jersey, defeat Bonnie Espinosa, to win the Featherweight Championship of the Southern Philippines. The U.S. Army idol won the unanimous decision, after the most bloody fight ever seen in the Islands for a long time.

The first two rounds went to Bonnie Espinosa, by superior boxing. However, from the third to the ninth, Sal closed in and blasted Bonnie with beautiful lefts and rights. In the fifth, Sal had Espinosa hanging on the ropes. The bell saved Bonnie from a KO.

The fans went wild when the two boys finished the last round slugging toe to toe in the center of the ring.

Espinosa, who fought the best featherweights on the Pacific Coast, weighed 128 pounds, Sal Scornovacca, 124.

LITTLE RHODY'S FISTIC HIGHLIGHTS
By EDDIE BECK

TAMI MAURIELLO, Bronx Bomber, foremost contender for the heavyweight crown, visited Providence for the second time and pulverized the clowning, iron-jawed (until Mauriello hit him) Earle Lowman, Detroit heavyweight, in less than one round.

Ike Williams, N.B.A. lightweight champion, was booked to meet the very popular Joey Angelo at the Rhode Island Auditorium on November 19 with a four dollar tops for ducats. It was a certainty, according to the advance sale that the gate would set a new high for Rhode Island, but two days before the fight, Angelo was refused permission to participate by his superiors at the Quonset Naval Station where he is stationed and the fight was cancelled.

Eddie (Nonny) Soares, local welterweight, continued his good work by scoring his eighth consecutive victory since turning pro by sensationally knocking out the seasoned Ernie Kapps, Milford, Mass., middleweight, in two heats. Soares, a Merchant Marine seaman, will not see action until January when he is due to return from a trip overseas.

Bobby Zollo, East Providence welterweight, racked up his twenty-first pro victory by easily beating Leon Kennedy of Washington, D. C., in a ten-rounder.

Eddie Fisher, East Providence welterweight, won 14 fights in the Navy. He will box locally soon. Tony Araujo, Fox Point amateur lightweight star, is the best in his class in New England according to Dick McHale who should know. McHale is presenting excellent amateur shows at the Elks. Larry Bolvin has returned from California and will shortly see action. Mugsy Mandell has Leo Britto and Gid Spence, East Providence High School athletic star, working out daily at the C.Y.O. gym. Jimmy D'Ambra has decided to move to the Elks in January. Jimmy staged five shows at Merrieville all at a loss.

Dave Cashman is presenting weekly shows at the Rhode Island Auditorium on Mondays while Manny Almeida is packing them in on Fridays at the Elks.

Joe DeRosa has a few good prospects in Morris Kapp, Vic Carda, Al (Sunshine) Degan (an ex-Marine) and Frank Cotoia.

Frankie Travis has Martin Tabor in good shape and ready for action. Del Gado promising local lightweight has won many admirers with his fine boxing exhibitions.

Joe Celetti defeated Billy Zaduck in a main-go at Fall River. Joe is fighting better now than ever before.

Ernie Guisti, West Warwick lightweight, is rolling along at a fast clip, knocking everything over that comes face to face with him.

Billy Bento has been discharged from the Army and has resumed training under Mugsy Mandell. Bento won numerous titles in the service. He will turn pro. Wrestling shows are staged at the Elks every Tuesday before large gatherings.

Eddie Brink is doing well at the Fall River Casino. Knobby King opened a club at Lawrence, Mass.

Lou Tavares, West Warwick lightweight, recently discharged from the Army where he did a bit of boxing, has won his last 3 fights.

Tommy Rotolo, 142½, Rome, N. Y., fought a fast draw with Baby Al Brown, 137¾, New York, in a 10 round main bout at the Auditorium.

Ernie Guisti, 137, West Warwick, easily defeated Jeff Holloway, 136½, New York, in an 8 round semi-final. Wayland Douglas, 147, New York, knocked out Tom Sloane, 140, New York, in the fourth round of a scheduled 8. Gene Boulden, 150, Providence, beat Freddie Graham, 156½, in another 8.

Paul Collicci, 163, Providence, knocked out Manny Cabral in the second of the 4 round curtain raiser. The show attracted 1591 fans and a gross gate of $2908.

Bobby Zollo, 147¾, East Providence, looked good defeating Leon Kennedy, 148¾, Washington, D. C., in a 10 round main event at the Elks.

Eddie (Nonny) Soares, 150, Providence, won his eighth pro fight by scoring a sensational 2 round knockout over Ernie Kapps, 154, Milford, Mass., in the semi-final.

Del Gado, 138, Providence, sharpshooting youngster, chalked up his third pro victory by chilling Walter Gomes, 138, New Bedford, in the second of a six. Jackie Carrol, 125, Boston, stopped Art Gomez, 117, Wareham, in the first round of another 6. Lou Tavares, 142, West Warwick, beat Chic Jones, 137, Boston, in 4.

Johnny Forte, 137½, Philadelphia, won his third straight victory here by defeating Benny Singleton, 150½, Waterbury, Conn., in a ten round main event at the Elks.

Morris Kapps, 133½, Providence, knocked out Paulie Martin, 139, Providence, in one round. Al (Sunshine) Degan, 150, Providence, knocked out Tommy Baker, 153, Boston, in one round of a 6. Vic Carda, 147¾, Providence, knocked out Red McDonough, 152, Boston, in the second of another 6. Lou Tavares, 141¾, West Warwick, beat Carter Holmes, 139, Boston, in the opening 4.

Tami Mauriello, 204¾, New York, chilled Earle Lowman, 211, Detroit, in 1:42 of the first round of a ten round main bout before 2736 patrons at the Auditorium. Mauriello floored Lowman three times. The gross gate was $5674.

Ernie Guisti, 140, West Warwick, knocked out Jimmy Calcagno, 135, Brooklyn, in the first of the 8 round semi-final.

Paul Collicci, 160, Providence, beat Leo Gagne, 153, Fall River, and Joe De Mao, 147½, Brooklyn, beat Roland Gomes, 147½, Fall River, in sixes.

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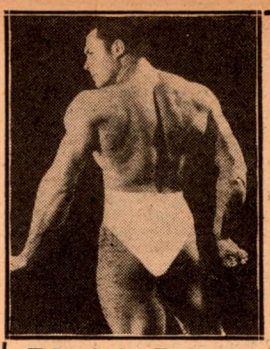

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WESTERN NEW ENGLAND
By GEORGE ROSS

GARY "RED CAP" COOPER is improving with every fight. He had five fights last month and only lost one, in Bangor, Me. Joe Montiero also is a main-bout performer in Worcester, Mass. Both are under the management of the writer.

Bob Johnson is still promoting in Bangor, Me. He was there in 1935 when Al McCoy kayoed Donald Red Barry. I then made my first trip to that city.

George Sheppard is doing very well with the New Haven, Conn., Arena.

Sam Silverman is one of the busiest promoters in the country. He has four boxing clubs going weekly.

Saint Paul, Springfield, Mass., middleweight, is the best drawing card around Western New England. Win, lose or draw he packs them in in West Springfield and Holyoke.

Cooper White, the "Westover Field" middleweight, was overmatched in his bout with Jimmy De Santis of Providence, R. I., and suffered his first K.O. since he turned professional.

Johnny Parker, lightweight boxer from Springfield, Mass., received a punch in his left eye from Al Renick that closed the eye completely. The bout was stopped on that account, giving Renick the credit of a kayo.

Kid Chicken, one of the Johnson brothers' fighters, is going like a house afire. He has beaten Harold Smith, Saint Paul and Johnny Finazzo in his last three starts in the Valley Arena.

Jimmy DeForest will open his club in Webster, Mass., again this winter. Webster has always been a boxing-minded city, even back to the old membership days. I can remember when Battling Downey of Adams, Mass., fought Knockout Brown (the southpaw) from New York there over 35 years ago.

Mickey Canty of Springfield, Mass., is in good condition now and is ready for any of the welterweights. Mickey was with the army boxing team in Italy and traveled with Joe Louis on exhibition bouts there.

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PHILADELPHIA NOTES
By NAT FRANK

WESLEY MOUZON, the Tom Montgomery-Gene Buffalo lightweight luminary, finally crashed into the select circle of contenders when he held the National Boxing Association Champion, Ike Williams, to a ten round draw.

Mouzon, prior to the contest, was considered a lamb led to the slaughter, but Wes fooled them all. He not only stood up under the haymakers hurled at him by Williams, but dished it out as well.

The judges disagreed on the verdict; the referee called it even, and thus Mouzon was given a draw with the N.B.A. titleholder.

Bobcat Bob Montgomery, New York, Pennsylvania and California lightweight champion of the world, received his honorable discharge from the army. The king of 135 pounders expects to take a rest for about a month and then in all probability will start light training in preparation for a series of bouts, which may eventually lead up to a defense of his crown at the hands of the most worthy challenger.

Montgomery, who is now being managed by Joe Gramby, is currently doing a little hunting.

At Herman Taylor's Arena—Ike Williams, 135½, of Trenton, and Wesley Mouzon, 138, of Philadelphia, drew in ten rounds; Danny Williams, 151½, of New York, knocked out Jamaica Harold Smith, 149, of Philadelphia, in one round; Ossie Rodriquez, 128½, of New York, knocked out Mel Neary, 130, of Philadelphia, in six rounds; Lou Fortuna, 140, of Philadelphia, decisioned Harry Preston, 140, of New York, in six rounds; Angelo Ambrasano, 125½, of Philadelphia, defeated Johnny Settles, 130, of Philadelphia, in six rounds.

At Herman Taylor's Arena—Bobby Ruffin, 137, of Astoria, L. I., knocked out Santa Bucca, 135½, of Philadelphia, in eight rounds; Smuggy Hursey, 150, of Washington, D. C., halted Mayhew Smith, 146, of New York, in four rounds; Freddy Sammons, 141½, of Chester, won from Sam Justine, 144, of Philadelphia, in six rounds; Bill "Chicken" Thompson, 163½, of Philadelphia, stopped Davie Feld, 171, of New York, in four rounds; Otis Graham, 144, of Philadelphia, walloped Charley Hilton, 149, of Philadelphia, in six rounds.

At Jimmy Toppi's Met—Willie Cheatum, 136½, of Philadelphia, knocked out Pat Patucci, 142½, of Port Norris, N. J., in five heats; George Hill, 146½, of this city, halted Johnny Toomey, 156, of Camden, in the third; Billy Mims, 150, of Philadelphia, defeated Joe Falco, 149, of Philadelphia, in six rounds; Bob Winters, 152, of this city, conquered McCoy Jones, 142, of Camden, in six rounds; Bob Threet, 197, kayoed Duval Bryant, 181, in the first round. Both are from here.

At Jimmy Toppi's Olympia—Speedy Duval, 161, of Philadelphia, decisioned Berlie Lanier, 154, of this city, in eight rounds; Charley Howley, 148½, of Chester, stopped McCoy Jones, 141½, of Camden, in three rounds; Jimmy Long, 170, of Chester, halted Kid Curtiss, 165, of Philadelphia, in the second round; Pedro Flores, 150½, of Philadelphia, knocked out Gee Sparry, 151½, of Reading, in one round; Booker Robinson, 171½, of Philadelphia, flattened Doc Bee, 179, also of this city, in four rounds.

At Jimmy Toppi's Olympia—Johnny Wolgast, 122, walloped Willie Weasel, 124, both of Philadelphia, in eight rounds; Doc Bee, 179, of Philadelphia, knocked out Jim Scott, 193, also of this city, in the first round; Booker Robinson, 175, of Philadelphia, beat Jimmy Long, 175, of Chester, in six rounds; Henry Sheppard, 151, of Chester, belted out Pedro Flores, 151, of this city, in two rounds; Reds Hall, 122, of Philadelphia, knocked out Pete Pearce, 120, of Philadelphia, in two heats.

At Jimmy Toppi's Olympia—Al Johnson, 164, of this city, beat Oscar Goode, 173, of Philadelphia, in eight rounds; Willie Thomas, 221, of this city, stopped Ray Winbush, 200, of this city, in the first round; Lonnie Clark, 207, of Philadelphia, knocked out Nat Hines, 182, of this city, in four rounds; Joe Falco, 150, of Philadelphia, beat Buster Hardy, 158½, of Newark, in eight rounds.

At Joe Wenke's Cambria Club—Georgie Knox, 127½, of Newark, decisioned Paul Febbo, 121, of Philadelphia, in eight rounds; Joe Rodriquez, 122, of Philadelphia, knocked out Larney Moseley, 124, of this city, in the first round; Vince Lauria, 115, of Camden, halted Jimmy Parlin, 115, of Philadelphia, in two rounds; Eddie Germaine, 135½, of Philadelphia, stopped Herbie White, 133½, of this city, in the fourth round; Danny Troile, 127, of Philadelphia, halted Jimmy Terry, 120, also of Philadelphia, in the initial canto.

At Joe Wenke's Cambria Club—Oscar Goode, 178, of Newark, stopped Jimmy Smith, 179, of Philadelphia, in seven rounds; Billy Eck, 176½, of Allentown, beat Nat Hines, 183, of Philadelphia, in eight rounds; Charley Sulic, 151, of Philadelphia, beat Rudy Roberts, 155, of New York, in six rounds; Stanley "Choo Choo" Derr, 162½, of Allentown, stopped George Slater, 160½, of Philadelphia, in two rounds; Jimmy Murphy, 138½, of Philadelphia, knocked out Joe Lofton, 185, of this city, in the second round.

At Joe Wenke's Cambria Club—Billy Fox, 170½, of this city, knocked out Leon Szymurski, 177, of Chester, in two rounds; Danny Weber, 127, of Wilkes-Barre, outpointed Willie Thomas, 127½, of Philadelphia, in six rounds; Johnny Finney, 160, halted Leonard Pate, 156½, both of Philadelphia, in five rounds; Frank Savoy, 156, of this city, beat Johnny Smith, 156, also of Philadelphia, in six rounds; Danny Troilo, 130, of this city, halted Johnny Pitts, 124, of this city, in four rounds.

At Joe Wenke's Cambria Club—Hubert Samuels, 137½, of Philadelphia, decisioned Joe Amico, 140½, of Philadelphia; Johnny Settles, 127, of Philadelphia, stopped Joe Rodriquez, 124, of Philadelphia, in two rounds; Teddy Turner, 157, of Philadelphia, halted Pancho Segura, 150, of Philadelphia, in the first heat; Billy Hagen, 153, of Philadelphia, put the finisher on Jack Collins, 149, of Wilmington, in the initial canto; Mickey Patrick, 144, of Wilmington, belted out Buddy Dorsey, 145, of Philadelphia, in the third round.

The Veteran Boxers' Association held their annual election in their club rooms and Chick Carsey was returned to office for the fourth consecutive time as President. He was given a stiff argument by his opponent, ex-president Joe Shannon, but Chick pulled through with a 62 vote majority out of the more than 300 ballots cast. Joe Guinan, City Detective, was unopposed for vice-president, as were Young Lew Tendler, who was returned to the secretaryship, and Battling Murray, who will again hold down the post as treasurer. This election was one of the most spirited held since the organization was born.

With the Old-Timers—Wilmington Jack Daly, last of the bare-knuckle gladiators hereabouts, passed on recently in the Philadelphia General Hospital. . . . Daly engaged all the leading lightweights of his day in 20 and 25 round tiffs. . . . In 1898 he fought two furious 25 round bouts with Kid McPartland. . . . Among others who felt the sting of Jack's wallop were Charley McKeever, George (Elbows) McFadden, Matty Matthews, Jack Everhardt, George (Kid) Lavigne, Owen Zeigler, and Philadelphia Jack O'Brien. . . . In real life Daly was Cornelius Moriarity. . . . Bobby McCann, at one time Schuylkill's hope for lightweight honors, is commander of the American Legion's McCall Post and employed as a guard in Fairmount Park. . . . Local fight enthusiasts are mourning the untimely death of Tommy Spiegal, Uniontown, Pa., lightweight, who succumbed in Cleveland City hospital at the age of 32. . . . Spiegal, a prime favorite with Quaker City fight fans, was known as the "fighter with the game leg," because his right knee was stiff from a high school football injury. . . . Paradoxically, this handicap was credited for some of his major ring successes. . . . Unable to retreat rapidly, he was forced to keep boring in, which frequently carried him to victory. . . . The Lou Jaffees celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary recently. . . . Sp (A) 2/c Joe Driscoll, former manager of the Lighthouse Boys Club's mitt squad, is home from Floyd Bennett Field, N. Y., with an honorable discharge. . . . Marty (Kid) Henry is resting on his farm in Pleasantville, N. J., after undergoing a rather serious operation. . . . Jimmy Dougherty, the Baron of Leiperville, is a candidate for reelection as councilman in Delaware township. . . . Charlie Ubele is a judge on the State Athletic Commission staff. . . . Charlie is an iron worker by profession. . . . Nape Conway celebrated his 67th natal day recently and Tommy Buck is rounding out his 22nd year with the Quartermaster department.

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NEWS FROM WINNIPEG AND VICINITY
By AL GREENBERG

THE professional boxing game in Winnipeg needs a stiff shot in the arm. Winnipeg which was once one of the best fistic towns on the continent has been home-free of the pro game for the past five years. There were rumors going around the town, that Tony Stetcher, Minneapolis promoter, was planning some promotions in Winnipeg. But to date nothing has officially been reported.

Jabs—Nick Melnyk, Winnipeg welter, is campaigning in Mid-West rings. . . . Gordie Mackie, Paul Shiffer's Winnipeg prodigy, is now showing his wares around Montreal. . . . Bill Orban is planning to conduct boxing classes at St. Paul's College with monthly cards. Bill was a former Navy boxing champ. . . . Grant Warwick, member of the New York Rangers hockey club, is a brother of the late Claude Warwick, former Canadian featherweight champ. Claude met his death in an automobile accident while serving with the Royal Canadian Navy. . . . From reliable sources we hear that the Manitoba amateur boxing and wrestling championships will be revived in the spring. . . . The writer's address is 415½ Manitoba Ave., Winnipeg, Manitoba.

NEWS OF TEXAS RINGS
By BILL DAVEE

AT EL PASO—Jimmy Erwin, promoter: Francisco Serrano, 114½, decisioned Pablo Zamora, 110¼, four rounds. Vince Padilla, 126½, kayoed Samuel Andrade, 124, four rounds. Luis Arguelles, 136½, kayoed Pedro Ibarra, 131¾, one round. Rito Torres, 124¼, kayoed Antonio Fernandez, 126½, three rounds. Eliso Villanueva, 147, decisioned Santos Quijano, 143, ten rounds, champ.

At Houston—Ralph Smith, promoter: Wallace Bates, 142, kayoed Alphonso Brown, 138, two rounds. Otho Slager, 138, kayoed Alfredo Fernandez, 134, two rounds. Donald Keck, 146, kayoed Vincent Mazac, 144, three rounds. Douglas Gibson, 130, Tkayoed Jesse Martinez, 130, three rounds. James Curl, 154, kayoed Donald Keck, 146, two rounds. Nick Camarata, 139½, decisioned Tony Rios, 143, ten rounds.

At San Antonio—Bill Davee, promoter: Joe Valdez, 146, decisioned Jesus Gomez, 150, four rounds. Julio Cerna, 157, kayoed Ocie Dearing, 158, three rounds. Nash Ortiz, 142, decisioned Mickey McCoy, 147½, six rounds. Ramon Alva, 126½, kayoed Francisco Ramirez, 130, four rounds. Tony Elizondo, 157½, kayoed Paul Altman, 159½, one round.

At Beaumont—Bill Plattsmier, promoter: John Riley, 165, kayoed John Modica, 163, one round. Oliver Hamm, 141, Tkayoed Howard Carr, 142, six rounds. Pedro Acosta, 142, Tkayoed Robert E. Weller, 142, four rounds. Ben Evans, 148, decisioned Bill McDowell, 154, ten rounds.

At Dallas—Ed McLemore, promoter: Pete Partido, 158½, decisioned Freddie Lee, 166, four rounds. Clyde Bettingfield, 135, Tkayoed Floyd Parrish, 135, four rounds. Pancho Medrano, 182, kayoed Bob Taylor Pearcy, 218½, six rounds. Oliver Hamm, 140, decisioned Mickey McCoy, 144½, six rounds. Manuel Ortiz, 122, decisioned Jose Andreas, 118½, ten rounds.

At El Paso—Jimmy Erwin, promoter: Edwardo Sarabia, 115¼, decisioned Pablo Zamora, 111½, four rounds. Francisco Serrano, 116½, kayoed Luis Garfia Loya, 125, one round. Antonio Serrano, 122½, kayoed Demetrio Moreno, 120, three rounds. Vince Padilla, 126½, and Manuel Marmolejo, 125, drew, four rounds. Manuel Soto, 115, decisioned Alfonzo Lopez, 122, six rounds. Juan Leanos, 127, decisioned Pedro Ramirez, 127½, ten rounds.

At Houston—Ralph Smith, promoter: Joe Valdez, 146, decisioned Otho Slager, 140, four rounds. James Curl, 165, decisioned Ocie Dearing, 165, six rounds. Douglas Gibson, 139, decisioned Howard Carr, 145, six rounds. Ben Johnson, 159, kayoed Antonio Garcia, 157, three rounds. Tony Elizondo, 157, kayoed John Riley, 160, one round.

At San Antonio—Bill Davee, promoter: Chuey Rodriguez, 122, decisioned Matias Ruiz, 120, four rounds. Joe Valdez, 145, kayoed Vincent Mazac, 142, three rounds. Rudy Cruz, 148, kayoed Oliver Hamm, 148½, two rounds. Ramon Alva, 126, decisioned Eddie Lee, 130, eight rounds. Manuel Ortiz, 124½, decisioned Proctor Heinold, 126¾, ten rounds.

At El Paso—Jimmy Erwin, promoter: Alfonzo Lopez, 123½, decisioned Luis Romero, 122, four rounds. Alberto Arratia, 125½, decisioned Demetrio Moreno, 121¼, four rounds. Francisco Serrano, 122, decisioned Edwardo Sarabia, 117¼, four rounds. Esteban Martinez, 155½, decisioned Daniel Obregon, 159, four rounds. Luis Arguelles, 139, decisioned Edwardo Quiroga, 142, six rounds. Manuel Villa, 146½, decisioned Lupe Gonzales, 145, ten rounds. Championship.

At Houston—Neal Hilliard, promoter: Euard Baloney, 130, kayoed James Finley, 128, two rounds. Willie Bee Tucker, 165, kayoed Johnny Davis, 179, five rounds. Arthur Ross, 144, Tkayoed Alphonso Brown, 142, four rounds. Willie Thompson, 183, kayoed Ernest Wyatt, 175, one round. Wallace Bates, 139, decisioned Darnell Carter, 136, ten rounds.

CONNECTICUT RING NEWS
By JACK KANE

A TRIO of youngsters developed in Hartford during the present season, on the indoor and outdoor shows, are the product of far-sighted matchmaking on the part of the present top man on the Hartford matchmaking staff, Gus Browne. Browne, a veteran of many years in boxing, and associated during this time with many topnotch fighters, is the chief reason for the present status of Dennis "Pat" Brady, Bobby Polowitzer and Nick Stato. Brady is to date the most adept. He has boxed 21 times and has won 20 bouts, 18 by K.O., two by decision and has boxed one draw. His last and most admirable effort was a one-round K.O. over the ninth ranking featherweight in the world, John "Spider" Armstrong. Brady started his professional career in Hartford and he boxed all but a few of his bouts at the same spot.

Browne's next development, and a good one, has been Bobby Polowitzer. Bobby has fought his way from a preliminary boy to a star bout fighter in one year's time. Polowitzer, though he has not had the experience as an amateur, and consequently does not possess real boxing finesse, has come along in fine style. He has boxed 37 bouts. He has won 30 bouts, lost three times and has been held to four draw decisions. He is a terrific puncher with either hand and is capable of turning in wins any time he gets over one of his paralyzing punches with either hand. Bobby is a home town boy, coming from East Hartford, Conn.

The last but by many reasons not the least, though older and consequently stronger and more seasoned than the two above mentioned youngsters, is the tough, courageous little Greek warrior from the city of Springfield, Mass., Nick Stato. Stato has boxed 29 times, winning 26 bouts, losing two and boxing one draw. Stato is a game, hard-punching battler and is the strongest and toughest of the trio. He knows pretty well what to do and has the heart to do it. Brady is handled by his father; Stato is a member of the Pep stable and is trained by Bill Gore, and Bobby Polowitzer is in the good hands of Jack LaSalle, himself a former classy featherweight.

Joe Brady, former RING correspondent, matchmaker, publicist and manager, who operated out of Bridgeport, Conn., before entering the United States Army Air Corps, has recently received his honorable discharge after three and one-half years of service. Joe Brady is now operating out of Hartford, Conn., and may be reached at the Hartford Auditorium, 331 Wethersfield Ave., Hartford, Conn. The ex-soldier is ready to continue in his pre-war capacity and is interested in any talent, without managerial connections, whom he will be pleased to add to his newly-formed group of amateur and professional boxers. Joe is anxious to hear from any and all the amateur boxers he handled on the shows which he staged at New Guinea, Netherlands East Indies and Mindoro, in the Philippine group.

Hartford Auditorium—Bobby Polowitzer, 126, East Hartford, lost his fifth bout in 38 starts largely because he was in too good condition. Polowitzer had the necessary weapons to win over his wasplike opponent, Vinnie Vazzo, 130, Revere, Mass., but he faded badly after getting off to a good start and almost stopping Vazzo in the first round. Vazzo took command in the fourth round and from there in was in the driver's seat.

Freddy Polowitzer won his fourth consecutive K.O. in a recently launched comeback as the referee stopped his bout with Sammy Zelman, when Zelman was in bad shape from body punches. Polowitzer weighed 133, and Zelman, from Montreal, weighed 129. Al Cello, 127, Jamaica, L. I., won by a K.O. in the third round over Ralph LaSalle, 123, New York. Bob Pryor, 143, New York, won by a K.O. in the second round over Al Franklin, 145, New York. Both of the bouts were scheduled for six rounds. The opening four-round bout, a win for Frank Vigeant, 145, Waterbury, over Ray Laurie, 148, Hartford, was the best of the preliminaries and was hard fought all the way. The main bout on percentage suffered as a result of last week's Ruffin-Calhoun fiasco as it drew only 1236 people and a gross gate of $1977.65.

New Haven Arena—Nate Mann, 189, New Haven, won a ten-round decision in his bout with Eddie Blunt, 221½, Corona, L. I., thus squaring the score and balancing a recent defeat by Blunt. Blunt, in this bout, used far different tactics from his previous winning effort. He was content to lie back and box from a counter offensive and this was a feeble effort. It gave Mann's aggressive mauling the edge. The bout drew a gate of $10,000, a tribute to Mann's drawing power.

Maurice Lavigne, 146, Montreal, won by a K.O. over Jimmy Martin, 148, New York, in the second round after having him on the deck twice before finishing him with a right hand to the mid-section. Tony Gillo, 175, New Haven, survived two knockdowns to win a six-round decision over Baby Ace Clark, 169, Philadelphia, in singling out Gillo as winner. The referee, Bill Conway, took two rounds away from Clark for low blows. Joe Festa, 183, New Haven, won his third consecutive K.O. at the Arena as he dispatched Carl White, 192, Worcester, in the second round. The opening bout found Joe Palooka, 205, New Haven, in a fadeout in the first round in his bout with Daly Williams, 188, Philadelphia, Pa. The bout was called "no contest."

At the Stanley Arena, New Britain, Tony Vero of Stamford, scaling 149, faced his toughest opposition to date in Jackie Connors, 142, Newark's tough veteran club fighter, and he kayoed Jackie in less than two rounds after flooring him three times in the opening round. The co-feature, also listed for eight rounds, ended in the first round as Al Velez, 139, Valley Stream, L. I., lowered the boom on Patsy Zoccano, 142, Montreal veteran now boxing out of New York. Velez, a smooth-working southpaw recently discharged after four years in the Navy's submarine service, appeared to have a Tartar on his hands as Zoccano came out punching, but a right jab, straight left and right hook in rapid succession put Zoccano down and out at about 2:05 of the first round.

A six-round bout brought together the veteran Gaby Polin, 145, New Britain, and Lee Abrams, 142, Hartford, and Abrams won the decision. The opening bout, a five-round semi-pro affair, went to a draw as the New Britain gamester, Johnny Bell, 138, came back in the last two rounds after receiving a boxing lesson in the opening three rounds from Ray Cashman, 135, Middletown.

Hartford Auditorium—Bobby Ruffin, one of the country's leading lightweights and Willie Calhoun came to Hartford to pick up some spending money. They went through four very weird rounds while Referee Jimmy Peters warned them often to attempt a little fighting. Peters' patience came to an end midway in the fifth round and he waved the gladiators to their respective corners and called the bout no contest, recommending to the commissioner that their purses be held pending further investigation.

The semi-final bout of six rounds was the best bout on the night's card and was won by Mayhew Smith, 156, New York, by decision over Wayland Douglas, 158, recent importation from the West Coast, where he had established quite a record against topnotch opposition. Smith, a rough, tough, boring type slugger, was a bit too strong for Douglas, who is a shifty but unorthodox boxer, frequently shifting from left to right hand stance. The styles made a good, hard-fought, pleasing bout to watch, with Smith coming through despite a bad cut on his right eye.

Al Silverman, 138, Bronx, avenged his stablemate by gaining a third-round T.K.O. win over Jimmy Saunders, 140, New York. Silverman hit Saunders with many solid punches thrown inside Saunders' wide swings and dropped him several times before the referee stopped the bout.

Mike Doyle, 136, Hartford, a soldier, won a decision in six rounds over Joe DeMaria, 135½, Waterbury, in a hard-fought six-round bout. The opening bout of four rounds was ended between the first round and the start of the second when Dick Ferranti, 153, Essex, Conn., was unable to continue in his bout with Eddie Ahearne, 155, Bronx. The bouts drew a medium crowd and the gate was around $2500 gross, notwithstanding the appearance of a nationally known boxing attraction in Bobby Ruffin.

At the Stanley Arena, New Britain, Charlie Smith, 138, Newark, wrote finis to his series with Sammy Mammone, 142, Stamford roly-poly veteran, in very decisive fashion by stopping Mammone with a left hook to the midriff and a right hand to the head early in the second of a scheduled ten-round bout. They had boxed four times, Smith winning one, losing one, and one bout being a draw. Smith showed entirely too much class. Mammone has seen his best days and had better hang up the mittens or at least stay away from opponents as good as Smith.

The semi-final bout, scheduled for six rounds, was halted by Referee Hughie Devlin in the last round because Charley Jones, 166, New York, had a little bit too much on the ball for Dave Carver, 162, Newark, to contend with and he was badly outclassed. Charles Finley, 146, New York, won a six-round decision over Lee Abrams, 142, Hartford. Finley was more aggressive and wore down Abrams with a body attack. The best action was provided by the four-round bout between Gus Vargo, 146, New York, and Ray Laurie, 148, Hartford. The first two rounds were very close as both boys connected with solid punches, but Laurie tired in the last two rounds and Vargo came on to win. The show was opened by a semi-pro bout of five two-minute rounds, which was won by Ray Cashman, 134, Middletown, by decision over Carey Mace, 132, Hartford.

Hartford Auditorium—Dennis "Pat" Brady, 129, New York, knocked out the veteran and ninth ranked featherweight in the world, John "Spider" Armstrong, 125, Toronto, in the first of a scheduled eight-round bout at the Auditorium. The end came at 1:54 of the opening session after Brady had dropped Armstrong for a nine-count previously. Brady slammed him to the canvas with a smashing left hook. Armstrong was badly upset but managed to get to his feet with the aid of the ropes and a little extra in the way of help from Referee Louis "Kid" Kaplan, who used up at least ten seconds as he rubbed the resin from Armstrong's gloves after he got to his feet. Brady was not to be denied, and after a flurry of hurriedly thrown punches, he measured Armstrong with a right to the head which administered the sleeper. It ended so rapidly that many were not back from intermission and missed the proceedings.

The semi-final eight-round bout was won by Torpedo Reed, 145, Mineola, L. I., over the courageous Joe Polowitzer, 140, East Hartford. It was a return bout, Reed having won in six the previous week.

Luc Lima, 136, Fall River, won a decisive six-round victory over Steve Bellus, 137, Toronto, winning every round. Lima is a good looking prospect, but not quite aggressive enough. Ellie Simley, 131, Newark, went to a draw in a weary six-round bout with Joey Wasnick, 132, New Haven. Two semi-pro bouts of five two-minute rounds opened the show. In the first Vic Placey, 128, Hartford, won a decision from Henry Polowitzer, 132, East Hartford, and Johnny Bell, 140, New Britain, won a close five-round decision over Ray Cashman, 136, Middletown.

Hartford Auditorium—Bobby Polowitzer, 128, East Hartford, won the decision in his eight-round bout with the veteran Allie Minutoli, 128, South Brooklyn, and the first six rounds found him sailing along to a very decisive win as he jabbed and hooked Minutoli almost at will. He ran into the old bugaboo—lack of experience—and his inability to pace himself properly was nearly his undoing as Minutoli put on a garrison finish, winning the last two rounds by a game effort. Driven all out by the support of the fans, Allie began in the seventh to catch Bobby with long, swinging punches to win this by a shade and he came out in the first two minutes and punched Bobby all over the ring until his own efforts took their toll. Polowitzer stemmed the tide in the final minute of the round, but not until he had gone through some trying moments himself. It was a case of youth and stamina outlasting the game, willing try of the veteran Minutoli.

The six-round semi-final was gained by the young Bronx slugger, Al Silverman, 142, as he also outlasted the tricky veteran, Tim Renick, 140, East Hartford. Renick, just back from long service in the Army, was called from the crowd when Jimmy Calcagni, the scheduled Silverman opponent, came in late.

The next bout, also six rounds, was a win for Torpedo Reed, 134, Mineola, L. I., over Joey Polowitzer, 140, East Hartford. Freddy Polowitzer, 133, East Hartford, won by a K.O. over Waterbury's Pat Correnti, 134, in the fourth. It was Polowitzer's third consecutive win in a recently inaugurated comeback. Don Anderson, 153, Bronx, won by a decision in his six-round bout with Bobby Holt, 152, Danbury.

New Haven Arena—Eddie Compo, 122¾, New Haven, won an easy eight-round victory in his bout with the veteran Carlos "No No" Cuebas, 125, New York. It was the youthful high school student's 18th consecutive win and his most impressive to date. He floored his man for nine-counts in the fourth, sixth, seventh and eighth rounds and was in command all the way. His promising and pleasing style gives the Arena a boy they can use as frequently as he is able to box, with the assurance of a financial success because the town has really taken the likeable youngster to heart.

The semi-final, also an eight rounder, was won by the veteran Frankie Donato, 128, Philadelphia, over the Blond Tiger, 126, Lowell, Mass. Frankie blunted the Tiger's claws to win a hard-fought bout. Johnny Wilson, 142, Brooklyn, won by a K.O. over Irish Jimmy Rogers, 140, in the third. Joey Wasnick, 127, New Haven, hard punching and sharp boxing local in-and-outer, came up with one of his good nights to win by a K.O. over Frankie LaMarra, 125, New York, in the third. Joe Festa, 183, New Haven, won by a K.O. over Walter Scoot, 188, Worcester, Mass., in the first round. Scoot's only claim to being a heavyweight was the fact that he scaled in the class and Festa made short work of him.

Stamford Hall—Danny Martin, 153, Newark, won by a T.K.O. in the ninth round of a scheduled ten-round bout on tonight's card. The bout was stopped by Referee Dan Buckley when Moore complained of inability to see at 2:15 of the ninth round. Moore was given quite a going over by Martin. Moore, in past years a rough and tough club fighter, is all done and the best thing for him to do is to hang up the gloves before he gets himself hurt badly.

The balance of the card was all on the poor side and every bout ended in a K.O. The six-round semi-final went less than a round as Tony Vero, 147, Stamford, won over Miguel Arroyo, 150, Mexico, finishing him with a right hand to the jaw at 2:30 of the opening round. Jimmy Cogman, 135, Newark, won by a K.O. in the second of a scheduled six over Frank Tabor, 139, Bronx. Jimmy Stevens, 133, Bronx, won by a K.O. over George Holmes, 130, Stamford, in the second of a six. Jimmy Thurman, 143, New York, won by a K.O. over Morris Elliot, 144, Stamford, in the fourth and last round of the best bout of the night. The opener ended when Jimmy Sax, 150, Bronx, was unable to answer the bell for round three and goes into the records as a T.K.O. for Milt Lattimer, 147, Newburgh, N. Y. The customers voiced their dissatisfaction in no uncertain terms and the card did boxing in Stamford no good at all.

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UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES

By PVT. TOM EPHREM

LOU VISCUSI, Tampa fistic manager and promoter, will promote boxing shows for the 116th Field Artillery, succeeding Bill Sallade in that capacity. Viscusi, one of the names that have made Florida prominent in the sport, particularly as manager of the featherweight champion, Willie Pep, should be of great value in his role.

Bill Cocke, Southern fight manager, has been discharged from the Service and will resume his work in the field. If Neville "Tiger" Beech, former Memphis heavyweight, resumes boxing he will be handled by Bill. Another under the latter's direction is Charley Jerome, a light-heavy.

Mike Raffa, hard-hitting featherweight challenger from Weirton, W. Va., is now stationed at Fort Bragg, N. C., and will soon be out of the Service.

Good, first-class talent is being brought down Florida way by Marty Fuller, New York fight manager—among the boys are Marty Clarke, the former soldier heavyweight and Tommy Mills, and others to follow. He also has Maurice "Lefty" LaChance, the Maine southpaw lightweight who is undefeated in Florida rings.

Mark Fannon, New England RING Magazine correspondent, has been released from the Service, and the Bostonian hankers to get back in the boxing game, booking fighters. Good to have Mark back.

Joe Torres, Cuban belter welter, has hung kayoes over "Red" Bryant and Jackie Salvino before Tampa crowds. The Salvino kayo came in the first round of their squabble.

Would like to hear from fighters who wish to appear in Florida rings and spots nearby. Address: Tom Ephrem, 403 West Ninth Street, Jacksonville 6, Florida. News on Southern boxing and results will be welcomed.

TO SGT. DAVE BLOCH, MADISON, WISCONSIN:—The record of Buddy Ross can be found in Nat Fleischer's ALL-TIME BOXING RECORD BOOK. For the latest results on Buddy, write him in care of Pete Norton, Sports Editor, Tampa *Tribune*, Tampa, Fla.

Led by the experienced Irish Dick Delaney and Cal McCaslin, the 64th Regiment of Camp Blanding's IRTC, staged a garrison finish to defeat a combined team of 190th and 191st Battalions glovers at the Field House. The 190-191st lads captured the first three bouts and saw victory snatched from them as the 64th plunged ahead in the next five remaining sets to take the triumph, 5 to 3. Welterweight Delaney got going for the 64th with its first win. He gained a close nod over Woodie Burton. Johnnie Bozen, 64th, received an unpopular win over Hank Hardin in another welter dish. Tommy Migliere, another 64th swatter, also a welter, lost out for his team, a T.K.O. victim in the first heat. The winner was Ken Agoglia.

Johnnie Matello made it another win for the 190-191st. He triumphed over Connie Wysocki in a welter scramble. The only real McCoy of a kayo took place in the Cal McCaslin-Ray Ackerly go. Cal, of the 64th, laid his man down in the second heat, a heavyweight go. In another heavyweight tangle, Thad Augustynowicz, got in a win by pasting Johnny Hannon. Eddie Podosek, a featherweight, decisioned Al Bonner, of the 64th, a fast bout this one was. Jimmy Glenn, of the 64th, won over Doug York in their encounter.

AT MIAMI—Clarence "Cotton" King, West Palm Beach, one of the top Southern boxers in his division, outpointed the fighting Tommy Mills, 144½, of New York, in their headliner before Magic City fans. It was a 10-round match.

WITH THE 84TH INFANTRY DIVISION, IN GERMANY:—Corp. Bob Morris of Headquarters Company, 333rd Infantry Regiment, is a young boxer, only 18 years of age. He plans to turn pro when back in civvies. However, while here in Germany, Bobby takes his turn at doing KP and MP duties.

Corp. Henry Smith, who accompanied the Joe Louis party, in the champ's trouping in the Pacific, is now stationed at Selman Field, La. Henry will represent the "F" Squadron in the winter boxing tourneys.

WITH THE 1ST INFANTRY DIVISION IN GERMANY:—Among the 18th Infantry Regiment boxing team is an Indian boxer, Don Big Leggins, one of the few full-blooded Indians in the ETO. His home is in Frazier, Mont.

Timmie Dalton, middleweight champion of the Third Service Command, has been transferred from Camp Pickett to Fort Story, knocking down another athletic hope of the Picketteers.

Tommy Gomez, now out of the Service and already in fistic action, is not the only Florida heavyweight who is throwing rocks at the Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis. Elmer "The Violent" Ray, Hastings, Fla., Negro socker, lends his vocal chorus to the press, wanting a shot at the Brown Bomber. Elmer figures to kayo the king.

Jack Kelly, Jr., is the heavyweight boxing champion of his company at Bainbridge, Md. T Navy lad is also a Navy singles sculling titleholder. His dad, Jack Kelly, also held the Olympic singles and doubles sculling crowns.

Pete Andrew, Tampa fight manager, is back home after working fighters in the New York area, and will promote at one of the Tampa fight clubs. Included in his stable are: "Sugar Ray" Delgado, classy Cuban featherweight; Rene "Baby" Sanchez, 138 pounder; Joe Torres, 145; and Juan Serrano, 155, who held Bobby Britton, Miami middleweight, to a draw recently. Here are some of the results of recent fights sent in by Pete.

At Sarasota, Florida, Nov. 12—Joey Smithers, got a TKO win over Red Bryant in seven rounds. Roy Evans defeated Tiger Henning in 8 rounds.

At Sarasota, Nov. 19—Joe Torres, weighing 147, scored a TKO over Buddy Rose, 160, in the sixth round. On the same card, "Sugar Ray" Delgado, 126, Cuba, kayoed Young Perry, 128, in the third round.

At Tampa, Florida, Nov. 15—"Sugar Ray" Delgado, Cuban featherweight sensation, got the 10 round duke over Sammy Andrade. Delgado fought the last five heats with a dislocated finger.

Joey Smithers, 160, received an unpopular decision over Rene "Baby" Sanchez. The verdict was changed to a draw after considerable booing, then back to a Smithers' victory.

At Miami, Nov. 19—Norman "Hi-Ho" Silver, 133, made a successful invasion of the Magic City by defeating youngster Paddy O'Reilly, 135, in the 8 round main eventer.

At last some action is being taken against the gambling element that has confronted Miami boxing for so many years. On Nov. 24, a report came out that Norton Ganger, of the Miami Boxing Commission, with his associates, Chairman Frank Markle and Warren Weimer, had banned boxing in the Magic City until a full investigation has been made of charges of bribery and gambling.

"We are going to clean up the boxing situation here for once and for all time," said the chairman. What Florida needs most is a state boxing board.

Joe Poodles, Baltimore fight manager, writes that Charley Chaney has been discharged from the Coast Guard and is in training to resume his fistic career.

Jimmy Guest, who promoted the "Young" Stribling-Maxie Rosenbloom match in Houston, Texas, only several weeks before the handsome Southerner was to meet his fate in a motorcycle accident, is back in business with Bill Williams, in the same city, Jimmy is anxious to contact his ole friend, "Pa" Stribling, and readers who can help, please have "Pa" write the promoter at 2229 Branard St., Houston, Texas.

I got a letter from Tut (King Tut) Tabor, the California middleweight prospect whom Billy Conn regards very highly. Tabor writes from Pittsburgh and is training for his first bout under Johnny Ray, Conn's manager. Tut is anxious to hear from any of the boys who trekked with him, and they can get his address from here. —Tut Tabor, 5219 Centre Ave., Apt. 22, Pittsburgh, Penn.

Cpl. Leo Matriciani, who served as Billy Conn's sparring partner on the latter's troupe jaunt over the European Theater, writes he may be home by February. He will resume his boxing in the States. Leo is a heavyweight. Mark Fannon, New England's RING representative, has opened an office in Boston for his boxing booking agency. His locality is in the right spot, being close to the three fight clubs there, and near the leading newsies of the Hub City. Mark made mention that Garvey Young, the Marine welterweight, though still in uniform, has started training.

Bobby Britton, Miami boxer who met most of the best men as a welter, made his ring comeback as a middleweight and went to a draw with Juan Serrano. The son of the former welterweight champion of the world, Jack, Bobby is also a fight manager. He holds the reins of a likable young Irish lad, Paddy O'Reilly, who competes in the lightweight ranks and is a consistent winner in Miami. Previous to losing to the veteran, Hi-Ho Silver, young O'Reilly defeated Bob Timpson in 8, and won over Tony Fernandez, a hard punching Mexican lad from El Paso, in a ten rounder. Bobby is completely sold on his lightie.

Another Britton glover is "Red" Cameron, heavyweight, and football star of the University of Miami. Britton believes his heavyweight shows promise to give Tommy Gomez, that hard hitting Tampan, competition as the most colorful heavyweight in the South. Cameron's last tussle found him licking Jim Bowden, of Jacksonville. Manager Bobby is strong for a Cameron-Gomez match, which could be staged at the Miami Beach's Flamingo Park.

Sgt. J. C. Carter, known in the ring as Jackie "Kid" Carter, is in the good ole U.S.A. He is hospitalized in the Navy hospital in Bethesda, Md. Carter served nobly with the fighting Marines in the latter's stormiest days in the Pacific. For 8 months, Jackie lay in the hospital with operation after operation on his nose. The last one finally clicked. He will soon be out, where he could have been long ago on the point system. Two of the country's finest plastic surgeons worked on Jackie. They are: Commander George V. Webster, and Lt. W. D. Rowland, doing a great job.

Jackie mentioned one of his Marine buddies, Maynard Daniels, Washington, D. C., heavyweight. Maynard is a student at the George Washington University. He fought in New Zealand and Australia rings as well as other places. Jackie's own last fight took place in 1941, winning the 1st Marine welterweight title in the U. S.

More notes from Jackie reveal that Joe Temes, Florida featherweight, is a chief cook for a whole division, and that Captain Harry Volkman, noted Washington referee, just got in from Okinawa (First Marine Division). Colonel Heinie Miller, now retired, looks in excellent health and told Jackie that Syd Fishel, fight manager of Washington, now a Warrant Officer, is still in the Marine uniform. Jackie's pal, Johnnie G. Ruth, ex-Asiatic Pacific middleweight champion, is out of the Service and is now working in Hollywood, Calif.

The writer would like to hear from fighters and managers who wish to show their boys in various places in the South. Enclose all necessary info, including photo and record. Address same, and all boxing news and results to be carried in this here column, to Tom Ephrem, 403 West Ninth Street, Jacksonville 6, Florida. And for your RING Magazines, a large supply is always carried by Jake's Newsstand, off Hogan Street and West Forsyth.

Pete Andrews is the matchmaker for the Sarasota shows which are promoted by Floyd Golden. Pete was to have appeared in that capacity in Tampa, but no sponsorship left him out. However, Andrews should do well in Sarasota. The season is open there now. Good luck, Pete.

At West Palm Beach, Florida—On Al Caroly's card, Joe Torres lost a close one to Tony Rios. It was a ten rounder.

At Sarasota, Florida—Ray Delgado, sensational featherweight, is the latest importation to the sunny banks of Florida. The clime is much to his liking. Likewise must be the opposition, for "Sugar Ray" is running up a good winning streak. His latest victim was Charlie Morrison, a 125-pounder. Delgado dumped Charlie for the full count in the second canto during their Sarasota clash.

Cuban fighters appearing in Florida are making a hit with the customers. Their willingness is the main factor, and there are some mighty clever boys among them.

Jimmy Evans, former crack Navy heavyweight boxer of the local Air Station, has returned to Jacksonville for another visit. He has had one fight since his discharge, winning a two round kayo over Charlie Robinson in Jersey City.

Mario Raul Ochoa, good Cuban middleweight of Pete Andrews, upset Carlos Perez (El Zurdo de Higuamo) in a Cuban ring on December 1. Mario will be back in Florida to show his wares.

Al Ketchel, associated with boxing for about forty years as boxer, trainer, handler, manager, matchmaker and promoter, will be the matchmaker for the St. Petersburg club under the American Legion control.

The most promising lad among the small ones from Cuba in this section is Ray "Sugar" Delgado. He has only 18 bouts to his credit, and has run up a great kayo spree of sixteen. He won a decision and lost one. That loss was to Luis Galvani, taking place in Cuba. Galvani is the Bantamweight Champion of Cuba. Delgado, to date has taken part in four Florida fights. He kayoed Billy Carroll in four; Young Perry in three; Johnny Janiero in one; and decisioned Sammy Andrade. Against Andrade, Delgado fought the last five rounds with a dislocated finger. Watch this boy!

Joe Torres is the Puerto Rican crowd pleaser. He weighs now around 150. He has met such aces as Tippy Larkin, Willie Joyce, Johnny Greco, Red Cochrane, Chalky Wright, and other good boxers. In Florida, he kayoed Buddy Rose in six; Jackie Savino in one; and Red Bryant in eight. He lost to Clarence "Cotton" King, Joey Smithers, Sammy Mammone, and Tony Rios.

In Juan Serrano we have a colorful Cuban middleweight. He has had three bouts in Florida. He decisioned Buster Carroll; lost to Eddie Steele and drew with Bobby Britton.

There is another Cuban pleaser in Rene Sanchez, 138 pounder. He faced the best in Cuba. He likewise crossed paths with the toppers in Florida, as Clarence "Cotton" King, Maurice "Lefty" LaChance, Joey Smithers, Ralph Walton, Joe Miller, Frankie Ross, Al Gomez, Willie Russell, Sammy Parrotta, among others.

TIMELY CHATTER FROM GREAT BRITAIN

By JOHN S. SHARPE

AL PHILLIPS, 127, young Aldgate featherweight, whose all-action style is reminiscent of Jack "Kid" Berg, scored his greatest win to date, and put up one of the grandest fights this scribe has ever witnessed, when he knocked out the much fancied Negro Canadian, Danny Webb, 126¼, in the sixth of a scheduled eight-round contest at the Royal Albert Hall, London.

It was an amazing affair; for Webb, who has carried all before him in previous bouts, entered the squared circle a much touted favorite to beat Phillips.

Phillips obviously had planned a campaign, and he began in whirlwind style, as soon as the first gong sounded. He caught Webb with a beautiful punch to the chin, flooring the Negro who seemed all at sea on rising, but managed to last the round.

Thrills came fast and furious during the next sessions, when Phillips again floored Webb, for a long count, but surprise of surprises, was himself floored for a count of seven, when Webb arose in the fourth round.

Phillips fought back well and dealt severe punishment to the Canuck, who suffered a badly cut eye in the fifth and seemed much the worse for wear, while Phillips, unmarked, seemed an obvious winner.

The sixth round saw Phillips immediately take command again, and deliver a smashing right hand punch to the chin, which sent Webb onto the canvas again to be counted out.

This smashing win must once again put Phillips forward as number one challenger for Nel Tarleton's featherweight title, which he very nearly succeeded in winning in their last encounter.

The rest of the bill at the Albert Hall lived up to the standard set by the main bout. It was one of the grandest nights' sport I have seen in a long time.

Henry Hall, 143¾, the up and coming young Sheffield welterweight, scored a good win over Gwyn Williams of Wales, 145, who retired at the end of the sixth round with a badly damaged eye.

Jimmy Gill of Nottingham, 114½, outpointed Norman Lewis, 117, holder of the Welsh bantamweight title, in eight fast rounds with Gill taking the initiative from the beginning and never relinquishing it.

Johnny "Singer" Watters of Ireland, defeated Harry Silwer of Clapton in the fourth of a scheduled eight-round contest when the latter was in a bad way and the referee stopped the contest.

Tommy Madine of Ireland defeated Jimmy Webster of West Ham in eight rounds, this being the latter's first professional defeat.

Jimmy Molloy, 136¾, the smart Liverpool lightweight, won over John Ingle, 133, of Dublin by a knockout in the third of a scheduled ten-round contest at the Liverpool Stadium.

George Dilkes of Barnsley won over Frank Boylan of Belfast by a technical knockout in the fourth round.

Eddie Douglas of Liverpool won over Bernard Pugh of Liverpool on points in eight fast rounds.

Dennis Chadwick of Bridlington knocked out Cyril Maudsley of Preston in the fourth round.

Petty Officer Ben Duffy, 134, Royal Navy, and Syd Worgan, 135, featherweight champion of Wales, met over the ten-round course at West Bromwich and there was very little to choose between the two contestants at the end when the referee gave his decision as a draw.

Sammy Reynolds, 117, Wolverhampton, had an easy task when he was matched with Jack McKenzie, 112, Birmingham, for eight rounds because three rounds sufficed with the referee intervening in favor of Reynolds. Sammy dealt out severe punishment to his opponent, who was a last-minute substitute for Tim Mahoney who was unable to appear.

Warren Kendall, 134¼, of Wales, outpointed Hal Cartwright of Tipton, 135¼, in eight exciting rounds with first Kendall and then Cartwright taking the initiative.

The Welshman managed to sneak ahead during the last two rounds and thus ran out a narrow winner.

Billy Biddles of Birmingham, defeated Lionel Creber of Loughborough when the latter retired in the third. Creber took two counts of six and eight and then signalled his retirement.

Jimmy Stubbs, 130, of Liverpool, outpointed Stoker Jackie Grimes, 132, Royal Navy, in eight fast rounds.

Jack Merino of Bridgewater, 150 and Jim Bryan of Gloucester, 145, fought eight very dull rounds at Watford with Merino just about in front at the end. He received the referee's decision amid the snores of the audience.

Stan Nelson of Bournemouth, won over Jim Teesdale of Middlesborough in the first of a scheduled eight-round contest when the latter was disqualified for an alleged low delivery.

Teddy Peckham of Bournemouth knew too much for Johnny Bollen of Middlesborough and the referee stopped the contest in the third of a scheduled eight-round contest when Bollen was in trouble.

Teddy Dawes of Gloucester and Jerry Nagle of Cork, put up a grand fight over ten rounds with both lads slamming away hell for leather.

Dawes took the lead from the hitaway mark and was a good winner at the end.

Fred Clarke of Edmonton, defeated Jim O'Connor of Limerick in eight rounds.

Henry Hall of Sheffield, 148, scored another good win when he defeated Johnny Pitt, 140, of Blackpool, in the third of a scheduled eight-round contest at Grimsby.

Hall dealt out severe punishment to Pitt, who was always willing to stand toe-to-toe and mix it, but he was floored several times and on one of the counts it seemed that he had just beaten it but the referee claimed that the fatal "ten" had been tolled and he declared Pitt "out."

Eric Powell of Manchester won well over Frankie Jackson of Hull in eight fast rounds.

Sid Burt of Manchester won a close points verdict over Terry Tinker of Rotherham in eight rounds.

"Tiger" Denton of Sheffield and Jimmy Lewis of Grimsby drew in six rounds while Mike O'Brien of Grimsby, a seventeen-year-old welterweight, defeated Jackie Woodward of Rotherham, who retired after five rounds with a damaged arm.

Tommy Smith, the Sunderland featherweight, 132, and Dave Finn, Southern Area lightweight champion, 135, met in eight rounds at the Queensberry Club, London, and Smith had an easy journey to secure a points win over Finn.

The bout started off as though it were going to produce many thrills, but it gradually simmered down, enabling Smith to run out an easy and clear-cut points winner.

Cliff Anderson, 118¾, bantamweight champion of British Guiana, won fairly comfortably over Cliff Morris, 123, of Wales, in eight rounds.

Arthur Danahar, 146, Southern Area welterweight champion, displayed his fine straight left to good advantage when he won over Jimmy Moore, 146¾, of Birkenhead, in eight rounds.

This left served to pull Moore up sharply each time he would try to rush Danahar, who boxed cool and well, to win the referee's decision at the end.

Tommy Barnham, a recently returned P.O.W., defeated Dennis Chadwick of Bridlington in six rounds.

Chadwick suffered a badly cut eyebrow in the fifth session, but the bout continued and Barnham gathered many points with a good straight left, running out a clear winner.

Jim Lydon of Ireland, defeated Cyril Johnson on points in six rounds.

Joe Curran, 111, Liverpool, contender for the world's flyweight title held by Jackie Paterson, outpointed Rinty Monaghan of Belfast, 111¾, in ten hectic rounds at the Liverpool Stadium.

Curran, who probably adopted as his motto for this contest—"Onward—ever onward," attacked continually and although he received a nasty gash on his eyebrow during the fifth stanza, he didn't allow it to bother him and he dealt out much punishment to the Irish lad, flooring him for a long count in the sixth session.

Curran, who was now well on top, refused to let up, and attacked until the final gong, when he received a well-earned decision.

Al Hutt of Burma drew with Jackie Bryce of Glasgow, in eight hard-hitting rounds.

Tommy Braddock of Shrewsbury, outpointed Dave Edwards of Liverpool, in eight hard rounds.

Edwards took the early rounds, but Braddock managed to turn the tables, flooring Edwards many times during the latter part of the contest and succeeded in gaining a points decision.

Mick Gibbons of Belfast defeated Jack Humphreys of Leeds, the referee stopping the contest in the fifth round.

Frankie Kelly of Liverpool outpointed Ike Pratt of West Hartlepool in six rounds.

Danny Woods of Clydebank and Billy Cunningham of London met in a fast eight-round featherweight contest at the Town Hall, Clydebank, with Woods, making use of height and reach, running out a points winner.

Don Cameron of Anderston won on points over Tommy Miller of Scotland in ten rounds, after having been floored for three long counts in the second round.

Frank Narro of Dumbarton defeated Peter Brown of Falkirk over ten rounds.

Billy McCarthy of Coatbridge defeated Seaman Heaton of Rugby when the referee called a halt in the seventh of a scheduled eight-round contest.

George Dugan of Glasgow outpointed Pat Lynch of Glasgow over six rounds.

Tiny Bostock, 117, of Leek, gained a narrow points win over Ronnie Draper, 118¾, of Southampton, in eight rounds at the Kingston Baths.

Both men boxed well, but Bostock knew just a little too much for Draper.

Reg Andrews of Streatham outpointed Charlie Collett of Hemel Hempstead over eight rounds.

Albert Finch of Croydon outpointed Jim Hockley of Covent Garden over six rounds.

Ted Barter of Kingston and Paddy Roche of Hounslow met in an eight-rounder and Roche secured the award at the end after having floored Barter for two counts.

Johnny Brickwell of Enfield knocked out Reg Powell of Luton in three rounds with a well-timed right cross to the jaw.

Eddie Donaldson of Scotland, a newcomer to the heavyweight ranks, knocked out Billy McClean of Bathgate in the seventh of a scheduled ten-round contest at the Grove Stadium, Glasgow.

Harry Hughes of Hamilton was too aggressive for Neil [illegible] Cairn of Methil and won easily in ten rounds.

Willy Whyte of Glasgow stopped Johnny Reed of Dumfries in the fourth of a scheduled ten-round affair.

Pat Lynch of Glasgow outpointed Ted Peddy of Liverpool over six rounds.

Danny Webb, 127, of Canada, stopped Ben Duffy, 133½, Royal Navy, in the third round at the Seymour Hall, London.

Duffy, substituting for Syd Worgan, went out for a quick win and attacked furiously in the first round, taking Webb out of his stride completely. Duffy continued these tactics, both during the second and third rounds, but seemed to damage his arm during the third and was using one arm only. At the end of the round he signified his retirement. There was very little between the two contestants at the close.

Henry Hall, 150, of Sheffield, won over George Odwell, 147¾, of Camden Town, in eight rounds.

Jimmy Davis, 150, of Bethnal Green, stopped Pat Cubis, 145, of Luton, the fight being halted in the fourth round when the latter was helpless on the ropes.

Billy Thompson, 134½, of Rotherham, outpointed Billy Cunningham, 132½, of Kew.

Len Bennett of Bethnal Green defeated Ernie Woodman of Battersea on points in eight rounds.

Jackie Paterson, flyweight champion of the world, stopped Sammy Reynolds of Wolverhampton in three rounds at the Queensberry All-Services Club, London.

Paterson, who looked remarkably fit, had Reynolds down for a count of seven before the end of the first round. Jackie showed real championship form during the second round, attacking furiously.

The third round saw Reynolds helpless against the concentrated fury of Paterson's attacks, and the referee wisely stepped in to save Reynolds lasting injury.

It has been a long time since Paterson has boxed as well, but if he has recovered the form that made him champion, it will take a very good man to beat him.

Albert Finch of Croydon knocked out Cyril Johnson of Nottingham in the second round.

Reg Hoblyn of London stopped Joe Mallon, U.S.A., in the third of a scheduled eight-round contest, when the latter retired after taking much punishment.

Cliff Curvis of Swansea outpointed Cliff Anderson of British Guiana in an eight-round bout, and Freddie Wheeler of Basingstoke and Tommy Barnham of Fulham drew in six rounds.

Billy Hazelgrove of Brighton defeated Jackie Bryce of Scotland in eight rounds.

Jordan Tarone of West Africa outpointed Ron Hatton of High Wycombe in eight rounds at Watford Town Hall.

Teddy Larkham of Isleworth outpointed Bob Hickey of Edgware in eight rounds.

Ernie Bird of Enfield and Reg Hill of Waltham Cross drew in six rounds.

Rinty Monaghan of Belfast won the Ulster flyweight title when he knocked out the holder, Bunty Doran of Belfast, in the fourth round at Belfast.

Jackie Paterson of Glasgow, who holds the world's flyweight championship and also the British Empire bantamweight championship, crossed to Paris to meet Theo Medina, French flyweight and bantamweight kingpin, in ten rounds at the Palais des Sports, and 20,000 enthusiastic fight fans saw the world's champion well beaten by the handsome French Gypsy.

The contest was some time in really getting started, for Paterson, during the early rounds, seemed content merely to feel his opponent out and the Frenchman seemed slightly overawed at being in the same ring with a world's title holder and was wary of the southpaw Paterson's reputed terrific punching.

From the third round on, however, it was a different story, when Medina found that Paterson was just an ordinary mortal, and when hit could be hurt.

The Frenchman then concentrated upon hitting and hurting, and his speed and brilliant boxing ability soon had Paterson in difficulties.

In the sixth round, the fans became hysterical when Medina dropped Paterson for two long counts from well placed body blows. He repeated the dose twice more in the eighth round, and it was then that Paterson began to fight back, realizing that his only hope of victory lay in catching Medina with his world-famous left hook, but the wily Frenchman kept clear of Paterson, and although the latter succeeded in taking the last two rounds, he could not succeed in making up the leeway of the early rounds.

During the contest it was announced from the ring that fans in the audience, so impressed by Medina's showing, had donated 5000 francs as a gift to the Frenchman. The contest was at 128 pounds. Both were inside the stipulated weight.

British boxing suffered another blow when Tommy McGlinchey of Scotland was also defeated over ten rounds by Roger Tison, a hard-hitting French featherweight, who took the initiative from the opening gong, tearing into McGlinchey and flooring him for nine in the very first round.

McGlinchey recovered from this knockdown, but could not pull enough out of the bag to defeat the Frenchman, who was a good winner at the end.

Bobby Ramsay of Stepney outpointed Tommy Foxall of Tipton over eight rounds at Withernsea. Ramsay's left leads and heavy rights dominated the contest throughout, and Foxall, game to the end, was floored eight times.

Seaman Terry Allen, the Royal Navy's star flyweight, gained another good win at Alexandria, when he defeated Hassan Rabou, former amateur bantamweight champion of Alexandria, in the first round.

Gus Foran, 122, of Liverpool and the Royal Navy, knocked out Tommy Dunne, 121¼, featherweight champion of Ireland, in the third round at the Stadium, Liverpool.

Jackie Hughes of St. Helens stopped Paddy Burgin of Dublin in the third of a welterweight contest.

Jackie McGouran, Dublin feather, knocked out Johnny Brickwell of London in the first.

Freddie Wilks of Birkenhead won over Tony Martin of Warrington in the first of a scheduled six-round welterweight contest when Martin retired after taking severe punishment.

Bill Watt of Liverpool knocked out Stan Conn of Liverpool in the third.

Dave Crowley, 132¼, former British lightweight champion, defeated Jimmy Smith, 132½, of Ireland, on points in eight rounds at the Caledonian Road Baths, London. Smith had his jaw broken in the second.

Smith proved an elusive target, and put in much clever footwork in evading the long, looping lefts of Crowley.

The Irish lad did not seem in any way put out by his injury, but in the end Crowley's experience told, and he ran out a good winner.

Billy Taylor, 139½, of Chiswick, caused the referee to call a halt in the fourth round with Archie Hannan, 137, of Portsmouth, when Taylor had dealt out much punishment to his game opponent.

Albert Finch, 162½, of Croydon, defeated Jack Lewis, 170½, of Bournemouth, on points in six rounds.

Tommy Jones, 156¼, of Derby, defeated Jim Lydon, 166½, of Ireland, in six rounds.

Jimmy Lee of Islington defeated Jimmy Redgewell of Ashford, the contest being stopped in the fourth.

Billy Stevens, 150½, of Glasgow, won on points over Jimmy Moore, 149, of Birkenhead, after ten fast rounds at the Liverpool Stadium.

Other contests provided their usual quota of thrills.

Tommy Burney, 109½, of Liverpool, was outpointed in eight rounds by Dick Lewis, 116, of Tylorstown.

Jock Bonas of Rotherham outpointed Peter Fallon of Birkenhead in eight rounds.

Freddie Wilks of Birkenhead won on points from Kid Lewis of Oswestry in six rounds.

Frank Williams of Birkenhead knocked out Len Wiseman of Liverpool in the first.

Al Phillips of Aldgate, whom many are heralding as the next featherweight champion, had his work cut out to defeat Petty Officer Ben Duffy, late of the Royal Navy, and over whom he has four previous wins. They met at the Queensberry Club, London.

It was a very different Phillips from the lad who had so decisively beaten Danny Webb a few weeks previously. It is true that he outboxed Duffy, but he was strangely reluctant to go in and fight and consequently it was not the sort of display one expects from Phillips and was a rather tame affair.

Phillips seemed to worry Duffy with his body attacks, and at the end of the seventh round Duffy retired.

Arthur Danahar of Bethnal Green had a tough journey to make in defeating Irish Patsy Quinn in the third round when the latter was forced to retire with a badly cut eye.

A right cross from Danahar in the third session closed the Irishman's eye, and cut his brow severely. Although the latter was anxious to continue, the referee called a halt.

Mark Hart, Croydon, gained a narrow points decision over Johnny Clements of Glasgow in eight rounds.

Cliff Anderson of British Guiana defeated Mickie Colbert of Ireland in six rounds, and Harry Hughes of Glasgow defeated Billy Taylor of Chiswick over the same distance.

Warren Kendall of Tonyrefail defeated Johnny Ward of Ireland, who was disqualified in the fourth session for an alleged low blow.

Jimmy Stubbs, 129¾, of Liverpool, won over Danny Woods, 127½, of Glasgow, in ten rounds at the Liverpool Stadium.

Frankie Naro of Dumbarton defeated Charlie Smith of Birkenhead in eight rounds.

Al Hutt of Burma was outpointed by Jackie McKenzie of Scotland in eight rounds.

Bobby Frith of Liverpool won over George Green of Warrington in the fifth round when the latter retired after taking severe punishment.

Bill Watt of Liverpool stopped Jimmy Mason of Liverpool in the first by a kayo.

Bruce Woodcock, 184½, holder of the British heavyweight championship and this Island's hope for world championship honors, had an easy journey in his latest ring appearance at the Royal Albert Hall, when he stopped Jock Porter, 187, of Scotland in the third.

Woodcock, who improves with every contest, dealt out plenty of punishment to the game Scot, whose main action during the run of the contest was to act as a rubber ball, bouncing up and down on the canvas. He was floored nine times before Referee Jack Hart stopped the bout.

George James, Welsh heavyweight champion, made a reappearance after a six years' absence from the ring owing to R.A.F. duties, when he was a last-minute substitute for Eddie Phillips of Bow, who, originally billed to meet the French heavyweight champion, Jose Ricol, was unable to go through with the contest owing to purse difficulties.

James made short work of the Frenchman. George scored a knockout in the second round.

The best fight of the evening was the eight-round tearaway epic between Arthur Danahar, 149, of Bethnal Green, and Omar Kouidri, 146, of France, who was making his first appearance in England, after having chalked up an enviable reputation in France.

For eight rounds these two lads stood together and slugged it out, with Kouidri never letting up for an instant and reminding this scribe of Henry Armstrong in the latter's heyday.

Danahar fought back well but could not solve the problem of the Frenchman's all-action tactics, and no amount of punishment from Danahar could keep Kouidri at bay.

After eight rounds of this non-stop battling, which even left me breathless, Kouidri received Referee C. B. Thomas' decision.

Harry Watson of Aldgate beat Jimmy Hockley of Covent Garden on points in six rounds, and Jimmy Webster of West Ham defeated Petty Officer Mickey Jones, Royal Navy, on points in six.

CENTRAL OHIO SWINGS AND HOOKS

By LESS HUFFMAN

CHARLEY SEWARD, well-known newspaperman of Columbus, O., has signed Bill Ketchel, middleweight, and Harry Hart, who was in the Navy.

Promoter Leonard Shallat and his matchmaker, Harry Hartman, sponsored a boxing show on November 7, featuring three ten-round bouts and a six. Willie Russell, the Buckeye Buzz Bomb, stopped Tiger Jackson of Akron, O., in the last part of the first round.

Candy McDaniels, Cincinnati's bad boy, won over Tiger Wills of Columbus, O., in eight. Phil Schartz, Columbus, O., and Charley Moore, rangy middleweight from Huntington, W. Va., put on a real alley fight for six heats. Schartz knocked Moore out in the sixth round.

Johnny Goode of Cincinnati stopped George Hahn in a grudge affair in the third heat.

Masho Pavitch, heavyweight, and Ivey Franklin have been discharged and are getting ready for a winter of boxing.

On November 28, Benny Becker had what looked to be a real battle to top his card at Cincinnati, but it proved a dud. Dave Clark, Cincinnati, and Benny Droll, Peoria, fought a tame draw of ten rounds.

Frank Robinson lost via the K.O. route to Charlie Moore, Huntington, in the second heat. Capus Benton was stowed away in the third by Johnny Goode. Both are from Cincinnati. Benton Cobbins, Cincinnati, was given a T.K.O. over Jim Stewart, Huntington, in the second.

Pat Iacobucci, Cincinnati, stopped Dick Carter of Huntington in the fourth.

Joe Matisi knocked out Billy Pappas, formerly of Dayton, in the third round at Binghamton on November 28. Matisi is just out of the service.

Art Swiden, hard-hitting white heavyweight, who has signed to fight under the 20th Century Sporting Club's guidance, is the best looking prospect to come here from the service. He was with the Marines.

On November 14, George Nichols and Billy Pool of Cincinnati staged another good show that was packed with action. Jimmy Brown, Cincinnati heavyweight, stopped Ken Johnson, Dayton heavyweight, in two rounds.

The semi-final was short and sweet. Roy Lewis, Muncie policeman, tucked away Jimmy Woods of Cincinnati in the second heat.

Sgt. Harry Wright, who has returned from the service, lost a close six-rounder to Chicken Gains. Both boys are from Cincinnati.

Pete Leno, a veteran welterweight of Cincinnati, beat Johnny Jahnkos, also of Cincinnati, in six rounds. Earl Holt of Chicago and Bob Begley of Dayton fought a four-round draw.

Chris Cline, who promoted a few shows in Dayton, O., has moved to Cincinnati and is now getting ready to promote a show there.

Jimmy Zill, who used to toss a lot of leather himself, sponsored a boxing show in Youngstown on November 13, with Wild Bill McDowell being stopped in one round by Tommy Bell.

The semi-windup was an alley fight in which Ira Hughes, Pittsburgh, lost to Tommy Woodward of Columbus, heavyweights.

Irish Billy Miller, 135, was given the duke over the Chocolate Kid of Akron in a six-rounder.

The Zill boys are going to promote throughout the winter months.

So far the fighters who have returned from the big fight have showed nothing but a fighting heart around this part of the country. It looks as if the fight over there has taken a lot out of the pro ring men. The promoters should try and give these kids a little break and not put them in with tough lads.

Lee Hammond, Dayton promoter, who tossed in the sponge several months ago, has again decided to promote. Joe Merineli, who always drew well in Dayton, has been discharged from the service. A few weeks of training should help Lee put the game back on the bracket.

Akron is fast becoming the city of runouts. In fact, the last six shows have had substitutes galore. On November 16, Vinnie Jones did not show up and Art Hardey of Pittsburgh was substituted. He stopped Lew Flyer of St. Louis in the eighth. Another fighter by the name of Harris of Toledo took a runout powder and the fighter who substituted for him, Dan Young, Akron, was stopped in the first round by Jimmy Howard, also of Akron. The best fight of the evening was between Leroy Jackson of Cleveland and the veteran Andy Pera of Chicago. Jackson won via the K.O. route in the seventh round.

Gus Mulner, Cleveland, stopped Johnny Brown of New York in the third round. Johnny Chatman of Buffalo, N. Y., put the hipper-dipper on Joe Perez of St. Louis in the third. Johnny Hannison and Walter Moore fought a draw.

Pvt. Donald C. Long of Columbus, who was the featherweight champion of Columbus in the Golden Gloves in 1939, was a member of the boxing team that was flown with the rest of the team from Okinawa to take part in the tournament at Manila for the western finals. Long has been in the Army two and a half years.

Willard Rice, who at one time was one of the best lightweights around this part of the country, was hit by shrapnel and may never again box professionally.

Roy Finn, Toledo middleweight, is training and managing Young Moreland, a very good lightweight prospect.

Willie Davis, local light-heavyweight, has been inducted into the Army.

Floyd Gibbons, a fair heavyweight, has been discharged from the Army . . . . Roy McCann, Newark, O., fight manager and promoter, has been given his discharge from the Navy.

The Akron boxing promoters sponsored their weekly boxing show on November 23, topping Gus Muller, Cleveland heavyweight, and Charlie Roth of Detroit. Muller won after fouling Roth.

In the eight-round semi-final, Oscar Williams, New York, got off the floor to win over Stan Cieslik of Detroit. Rudy Zadell, Akron lightweight, was given the decision over Joey Miller of Buffalo in five rounds. Tony Brush won via a T.K.O. over Howard Umbles of Canton in the second round and Johnny Chatman of Buffalo put the skids under Billy Shelton of Ellwood City, Pa., in the fifth round.

Bobby Fowler, who was stopped by Willie Russell at Columbus on November 28 in the second round, also was stopped by Jimmy Hunt in Chicago the Monday night before his fight in Columbus in the sixth.

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MINNESOTA NEWS
By BILLY COLBERT

GENE FREDERICKSON, North St. Paul lightweight, in the Army since June 10, 1941, in the South Pacific, was discharged a few months ago and is planning a ring career. He is a former star amateur from Cretin High School in St. Paul . . . . Joe Stepka, professional middleweight, will be seen on the cards around the Twin Cities . . . . Fred Dunkel, Harding High School welterweight, beat one of the best amateur boys in Minneapolis in Willie Reimerman from the Ascension Club.

Fred Cobb, runner-up in the middleweight division last season in the Northwest Golden Gloves, is preparing for a busy amateur season. He is under the management of Speed Lauridsen . . . . Marv Fields, welterweight from McGregor, Minn., is now living in St. Paul. He trains at the Gibbons Gym in St. Paul . . . . Chief Crazy Horse, welterweight from P[illegible]ar, Mont., is one of the busiest boxers around these parts. The Chief has appeared at Omaha, Davenport, Des Moines, Bismarck, Fargo, and St. Paul . . . . Jerry Ellinger, featherweight amateur from Rice Street, shows a lot of promise.

Bill Hawkins from Sioux City has a good stable of boxers. Bill has been connected with the game for over 25 years.

At the Minneapolis Auditorium, Jackie Graves, Austin featherweight, scored a convincing victory over Sam Parrotta, Pittsburgh Butcher Boy, in eight rounds of a great fight card promoted by Tony Stecher. Every bout was filled with action. The fight was one of the roughest seen around these parts. Graves was the master from start to finish. Graves weighed 128, and Parrotta 130.

Frank Rivera, Kansas City, 116, knocked out Charley Johnson, 116, Chicago, in the first round. Johnny Hubbard, 176, Milwaukee, outpointed Hank Postaway, 178, Scott Field, in six rounds.

Billy Smith, 138, Minneapolis, knocked out Roy Lewis, 139, Muncie, in the second round. Marion Rhoeten, 127, Milwaukee, outpointed Harold Wilson, 129, Kansas City, in six rounds. Vic Melnick, 160, Winnipeg, knocked out Jesse Johnson, 157, Omaha, in the first round of a six-rounder. The show drew a gate of $9340.10.

Coach Jack Langer of the Margaret Barry House, Minneapolis, has a couple of good prospects in Ray Koniczy and Albert Lacarella, Minneapolis amateur boys . . . . Freddie Lucas, popular manager of Billy Smith, Minneapolis lightweight, has a good welterweight in Warren Corbett, a southpaw . . . . Mert Herrick, Golden Gloves welterweight champ in 1942 and 1943, has won 27 out of 28 fights in the Merchant Marine. Herrick will return to Rochester to box professionally under Mike Sternberg, Rochester promoter, when discharged.

The Old Parson, Silent Jack Tierney, is the coach at the Unity House in Minneapolis and is doing a great job. Johnny De Otis, the popular referee and matchmaker, is back from the Navy.

At Minneapolis, Ascension Club, Frank Cobb, Gibbons Gym, St. Paul, 159, had to pinchhit for Joe Kissel of Elliot Park against Marv Schultz, 164, Ascension Club, in the main event of the Unity House boxing show at Ascension Club House and staged a thrilling fight before Schultz won the decision. Fred Dunkel, Gibbons Gym, and protege of Emmett Weller, St. Paul, won the decision over Willie Riemermann of Ascension Club.

Winona—Over 600 boxing enthusiasts turned out here to witness an amateur boxing card, which was sponsored by the local Company L of the Minnesota State Guard.

Tommy O'Loughlin, manager of Elmer Ray, is busy lining up fights for his protege.

Ray Temple has been appointed boxing instructor for the Hastings boxing team. In Ray they have one of the best in the game and he will get the best results of anybody in the business. Ray is from the old school and knows what it is all about from A to Z.

At St. Paul Auditorium, Jackie Graves, 129, Austin, Minn., knocked out Vic Flores, 131, Mexico City, in the first round of Eddie Williams' fight card which drew around $7000. Graves showed a lot of class in stopping Flores, who came here with a good record. Buzz Brown, 149, won the decision over Jimmy Lowery, 150, Davenport, in six rounds. Kid Padalino, 162, Detroit, won the duke over Bobby Millsap in a six-round special event. Millsap weighed 165. This was the best fight on the card. Erle Adkinson, 173, St. Paul, won the decision over Ted Morrisson, 179, St. Paul, in a six-rounder. Luther Bridges, 132, Detroit, won the decision over Al Bartholomew, 129, St. Paul, in a four-rounder.

Gilbert Crawford, St. Paul middleweight, now in the Army, is stationed at Lincoln, Nebr., in the Army Air Forces . . . . Gene Frederickson, North St. Paul lightweight, just back from four years' service in the South Pacific with the Army, is training for a comeback . . . . Bill Zuke, former Northwest Golden Gloves heavyweight champion in the Army, is now stationed at Lincoln. Bill was one of the best heavyweights around the Northwest before enlisting in the Army . . . . Johnny De Otis, referee and matchmaker from Minneapolis, is back in civilian clothes after serving in the U. S. Navy . . . . Speed Lauridsen has a couple of good amateur boxers in Frank Cobb Hastings and Harold Bruner, welterweight, from St. Paul.

Send in your news for this column to Bill Colbert, Hamm Bldg., St. Paul, before the first of the month.

CLEVELAND BOXING NEWS
By PHIL GOLDSTEIN

THE Metropolitan A.C. presented two shows last month. On the first saw, Leroy Garrett outpointed Oscar (Peewee) Williams, New York, 111, in an 8 round feature. It was very close and many thought Williams won. They are lightweights.

In another 8 rounder, Willie Barrows of Detroit was a bit too experienced for the hard-hitting Al King. These light-heavies went at a fast clip throughout.

Ossie Peguese, Youngstown, had a clear edge over Bobby Wright, local feather, in a very good bout.

Ray Miller, Elmwood City lightweight, stopped Carl Olsen, Buffalo, in 5 rounds. Lonnie Durrah kayoed Willie James in the second. Both are local 180 pounders.

On the second show, Willie Barrows returned to lose a close 8 round bout to Phil Muscato of Buffalo.

In the semi-final, Irish Mickey Doyle, Toronto 155 pounder, looked good stopping Larry Janke, Cincinnati, in the second.

Lonnie Durrah won his second successive bout at the Club kayoing Bobby Bave, Buffalo, in the fourth. Arbie Bowie, good Pittsburgh lightweight, shaded Sunny Hampton, Buffalo, in six.

Lee Bohles was very impressive outpointing the popular Juan Manvel. They are featherweights.

Larry Atkins and Bob Brickman featured Chuck Hunter, 150, against Ruben Shank, 154, Denver. Hunter won, scoring two knockdowns. The bout was close despite the knockdowns. Shank bored in continually but lacked speed and accuracy.

Jerry Berthiaume, 183, Montreal, kayoed Ray Cobbs, 203, Boston, in the first. Bobby Berry, 170, kayoed Henry Jackson, 172, Pittsburgh, in 3 rounds. Bobby hit hard but was a bit wild. Irish Billy Walker, 154, New York, looked impressive kayoing Art Robinson, 159, Chicago, in the second round. Bobby LaLonde, 139, Detroit, stopped Chuck Lloyd, 132, in the third. Both boys were up and down. Lloyd received a cut eye.

Pedro Juarez outpointed Danny Freeman in a 4 round opener.

The Christmas Fund Show presented annually by Ed Bang, nationally known sports writer, featured Jimmy Doyle against former champion Lew Jenkins. Jenkins lacked the sharpness necessary to cope with the clever Doyle. Jenkins kept trying but absorbed a bad licking. The boxing commission doctor stopped the bout at the end of the fourth round, Lew was bleeding profusely from his eye.

Jerry Berthiaume, Montreal, did well when boxing against Tami Mauriello, but occasionally went to slugging. That was his downfall and he was kayoed in the last of the many exchanges with Tami. This was in the second round. Jack Dempsey refereed.

Leroy Jackson outpointed Leo Garrett in the 8 round semi-final. The decision was split. The decision was first applauded and then booed. Many thought Garrett should have been the winner.

Jack Dempsey stated that Jackson earned the decision because of his aggressiveness. Garrett weighed 133 to Jackson's 128. This bout is a natural and the boys will probably be rematched.

Billy Walker, Portland, Ore., outpointed Augie Fleischauer, New York, in 6 rounds. Walker, a terrific hitter, scored several knockdowns. Fleischauer seemed to find himself after the fourth and made a great fight of it. They are middles.

Irish Billy Miller, clever Pittsburgh lightweight, outpointed Bobby Root in a very pleasing six rounder.

Bobby LaLonde, Detroit, decisively outpointed Rudy Zadell, Barberton, in a six round slugfest.

Leroy Jackson kayoed Andy Pera, Mexican, fighting out of Chicago, in the seventh round at Akron, Ohio, on November 9th.

Bob Heath and Johnny Hannison are presenting splendid shows at Akron and are drawing nice crowds. Boys who have showed and are well liked by the fans are Charley Roth, Gus Mullner, Leroy Jackson, Oscar Williams; Stanley Cieslik, Rudy Zadell, Johnny Chatman, James Howard, Joe Miller and Tony Brush.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON, D. C.
By JIM ECHOLS

BEE BEE WASHINGTON, fistic pride of the Capital, boxed his way to a unanimous ten-round decision over Johnny Lawer of Cleveland in the Turner-Menendez promoted fistic bout at the Arena. Washington was in tiptop shape, boxing flawlessly and punching nicely, and although Lawer was rough and tough, "Double B" was in command all the way. Lawer took an eight-count in the second when Washington dropped Johnny with a left hook followed by a straight right. Washington in winning continues to show a decided improvement each time out. Lawer was made to order for Washington's style of fighting and he proved to be a good catcher. Both boys scaled 161.

In what was scheduled to be a six-round semi-windup, Tommy Daniels, 136½, Philadelphia, upset the highly-touted Bobby Gunter, 138, Detroit, via the kayo route in 2:58 of the first, with one of the cleanest knockout punches seen here in many a day.

The prelims, all excellent and crowd-pleasing bouts, were featured by three knockouts. In a scheduled four, Artie Brown, 145, Washington, K.O.'ed Emmett Harris, 147, Washington, in 2:24 of the second. In another four, Arthur Bethea, 148, Washington, decisioned Eddie Davis, 149, Baltimore. B-29 Banks, 139, Washington, knocked out Bernie Cady, 140, Washington, in 1:04 of the second, while Red Jeter, 182, Washington, kayoed Johnny Graham, 201, Washington, in 26 seconds of the third.

In a bout that was filled with action from start to finish, Aaron Perry and Bayonne's tough Tony Riccio battled to a sizzling draw in the Liberty Club's main go at Uline Arena. This was truly a fight of pre-war vintage and the enthused fistic fans were literally hanging on the edge of their seats. From the opening bell all through rounds one and two the spectators wondered when Tony would go down, but to the delight of the Riccio admirers he rallied and held on. Riccio had a distinct advantage with the infighting, while Perry was shooting with his vaunted right. As they came down to the final bell, Riccio was rallying and carrying the fight to Perry. This was one of the best fights staged here in recent years and it's a sure bet for a rematch. Riccio scaled 132 and Perry one pound lighter.

In a six-round semi-final (?), Pete Virgin, 128½, New York City, decisioned Richie Miyashiro, 127½, Honolulu, with Virgin clowning all the way. In two scheduled six-round prelims, Lou Angelo, 157¾, Bayonne, won over Willie Scott, 151½, New York City, and Bobby Waters, 130, Harrisburg, kayoed Billy Richardson, 135, Baltimore, in 1:45 of the second. In the opener, Leroy Fleming, Washington, 163, kayoed N. Carolina Kid, Washington, 163½, in 1:14 of the third. A good show but crowd just average.

The fistic team of Turner and Menendez presented four eight-round headline bouts that were action-jammed.

Possibly the best in this bi-monthly fight card was the bout between Jimmy McGriff, 143, Washington, and Charlie Millen, 143, Baltimore. McGriff, a 5 to 1 underdog, scored a seven-round T.K.O. It was a fairly close bout with honors about even for six rounds, but in the seventh Jimmy unleashed a two-fisted attack to have Millen hanging on.

At this point Referee Harry Volkman stepped in to save Charlie from further punishment. The time of the K.O. was 1:58 of the seventh.

Leslie Harris, 129, Baltimore, won over Herbie "Biff" Jones, 126, Washington, in an evenly matched contest. It was very close, with Harris enjoying a slight edge in the closing rounds. In the third Jones hurt his right hand, but despite this he put up his usual good performance.

Another eight pitted Jackie Cranford, 181½, Washington, against Dan Biggers, 190, Baltimore, with Jackie winning via the kayo route in 2:41 of the second.

With a sticking left hand, Eddie Kane, 147, Washington, jabbed his way to victory over Flat-top Cummings, 147, Washington, in the fourth eight-rounder. Kane fought Cummings on even terms for six heats, stepping on the gas in the final two rounds to cop the duke.

The opening four ended in a kayo when Bee Zee Washington, 152, Washington, scored twice to the jaw to floor Walter Simmons, 142½, Washington, in 1:56 of the first.

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IN TACOMA, WASHINGTON
By HOMER AMUNDSEN

THE months of October and November have been flat anent professional boxing in Tacoma. Too much real estate business for Promoter Will Maylon seems to be the answer.

This writer, having witnessed Pacific Northwest fighters come and go for 26 years, predicts Bliss Croft, heavyweight, and Buster Arnestad, rapidly growing 17-year-old youngster, will be the outstanding future ringmen in this land of the tall firs. Croft, just out of the Army, will start training at the Amundsen Gym under the care of Jack Connor and Fred Bruny, two very capable gentlemen.

Jimmy Casino, light-heavyweight, recently discharged from the Navy as chief, has resumed ring training at Amundsen's quarters. Casino, who stopped former middleweight champion Freddie Steele's comeback intentions a few years back, is just about set to mix things up with any of the light-heavies and heavyweights. This guy has plenty of fight in him, and it wasn't so far back when he boxed a slashing draw with Joe Kahut, the present Oregon heavyweight hope.

Johnny Lovett, Philadelphia, Pa., lightweight, has been discharged from the Army and is back home. Johnny had fair success in Pacific Northwest boxing clubs.

One of the best fights yet on any of the Western Athletic Club's program in Seattle is the recent Art Dehlinger vs. Don Fitzgerald shindig. These boys had the fans in an uproar throughout six action-laden rounds, at 150 pounds. This is a natural rematch, and for a main event, for Seattle.

Al "Cat Fish" Bourgeois, New Orleans 140-pounder, now stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash., is back at the Army post after three weeks' furlough home. While home, the Cat Fish engaged in two contests and won both.

Harry Ketchel, former heavy-handed Tacoma featherweight of a number of years ago, is back in his native city, Tacoma. Harry has been discharged from the Navy, where he served with the Sea-Bees for a couple of years. Harry will apply for a professional boxing referee's license.

Afternoon gym workouts have been resumed here, the result of the boys coming home from the war fronts. Some of the boys have done a little leather pushing over in the Old World.

This writer recently received a warm letter from Nate Druxman, Seattle fight impresario. When Nate gets back into harness, watch the Northwest fight picture glow.

Still leading the field in boxing magazines, THE RING. A special rack has been put up in the gym here where fans and fighters alike glance through this book for the best in fight news, stories, etc.

IN BRITISH GUIANA
By COMPTON SANTOS

WITH odds against him and his record marred with a recent defeat with which his bantamweight crown was lifted, Young Montana of British Guiana outboxed and outpunched Trinidad's current king of the bantams, Don Gibbons, over ten rounds at the G.F.C. Grounds, Georgetown. Despite a weight advantage of seven and a half pounds, the Trinidadian was always on the defensive, and never seemed to worry the Guianese Tornado much. Gibbons tipped the beam at 124, and Montana 116½.

The six-round semi-final found Harry Payne repeating his recent victory over Nick Farley. Payne, at 145, had a four-pound pull in the weights.

In a four-rounder, Joe Burnett, 138, scored a T.K.O. in the last frame over Leslie Moore, 132.

In the opening bout, Young Jenson, 120, beat Leslie Musea, 117½, in four rounds.

At the B.G.C.C. Grounds, Georgetown, Young Abrigo was stopped by George "Stinging Ant" Fraser in a featherweight title bout in the sixth. Weights for the bout were Abrigo, 117½, to 122 for the champion.

By far the best and most scientific contest on the card was the six-round semi-final between Jonathan Kennedy, 141, and Nick Farley, 145. The former outboxed his opponent for three rounds and won by a T.K.O. in the fourth.

In another six-round attraction, Ken Thomas beat Joe Bonomo in a slugfest. Both boys were so tired in the closing rounds that neither could deliver a finishing punch. Thomas, at 164, had a four-pound edge in the weights.

The opening preliminary was a rough and tough scrap between Kid Singh and Joseph Bradford, which was won by the latter after three very fast rounds.

FLASHES FROM TRINIDAD—Kid Germain added another victory to his unbroken professional string, when he took into camp Luis Monagas of Venezuela. The decision was pretty unpopular with the large crowd that packed the Mucurapo Stadium to witness the ten-round lightweight slugfest . . . . Al Tunney and Gunner Braithwaithe also fought a ten-round contest, with a disputed decision, on the same card. In this return battle, the going was pretty even on to the last round, at the end of which the referee raised the Gunner's hand in token of victory. Tunney came in at 140, and his adversary at 142.

In the stellar attraction, Kid Tunero, Cuba's middleweight champion, now campaigning in Trinidad, again held the Island's light-heavyweight king, Gentle Daniel, to a draw over ten action-packed rounds. The record crowd in attendance witnessed one of the most exciting and classiest bouts ever staged in Trinidad. Tunero weighed 159, conceding nine pounds to the burly Trinidadian . . . . In the opening bout, Alex Faltine dropped a four-rounder to Kid Salandy . . . . Joe Ramona, 125, stopped Al Punney, 121, in the fifth frame . . . . Dynamite Jim, 156, drew with Tiger Flowers, 153, in eight rounds.

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SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. JIMMIE AMANN

THREE ring shows were held in Cincinnati during the month of November. On November 7, at the Music Hall Arena, Promoters Leonard Shallat and Harry Hartman presented an all-star card headed by Willie Russell, southpaw, Columbus, O., lightweight, and Tiger Jackson of Barberton, O. This bout, scheduled for ten rounds, ended abruptly in the first round, with a technical knockout in Russell's favor.

In the supporting bouts, Candy McDaniels, Cincinnati lightweight, making his initial start before a home town pro audience, defeated Tiger Wills, Columbus, in ten rounds. Mutt Schwartz, Columbus middleweight, was too big and strong for Charlie Moore of Huntington, W. Va., with Moore getting kayoed in round six. Johnny Goode, Cincinnati feather, stopped George Hahn in two rounds.

The net payoff was $1525.71. Pat Daley and Tony Warndorf were the referees.

The following week Promoters George Nichols, Jack Brown and Billy Poole made their offering with Jimmy Beau Brown, Cincinnati's blasting Negro heavyweight, sticking the sinker on veteran Kenny Johnson of Dayton, O., in 2:20 of the first round. It was a beautiful, clean knockout. This Brown is a far better fighter than the average fan realizes.

Roy Lewis, Muncie, Ind., portsider, hung a three-round kayo on good little Jimmy Woods in the third round. They are welters. Chicken Gaines, a Cincinnati Negro middleweight, making his bow, looked very good in winning a six-round verdict over Harry Wright of Cincinnati. In the other bouts, Larry Cartwright of Dayton won a five-round decision over Jack Hill, Chicago welter; Pete Leno won a decision in six over Larry Janke, welters, both of Cincinnati, and Earl Holt drew with Bob Begley in a four-round heavyweight opening match.

Promoter Benny Becker and Co-promoter Sam Becker offered their monthly card on the night of November 28. The main event brought together middleweights Dave Clark of Cincinnati and Benny Droll of Peoria, Ill. After the smoke of their ten-round battle cleared, the judges decided a draw verdict. A total of 1585 fans paid a net of $2244.

The supporting results were as follows: Pat Iacobucci, Cincinnati featherweight, won on a T.K.O. in four rounds over Dick Carter of Huntington, W. Va.; Benton Cobbins, Cincinnati, won from Jim Stewart, Huntington, on a T.K.O. in two, welter match; Johnny Goode stopped Capis Benton in two heats of a local featherweight bout.

On November 23 at Chicago, O'Neill Bell, Detroit 150-pounder, pulled a big surprise when he knocked out Sugar Costner of Cincinnati in the seventh round. This would make a great rematch in Cincinnati.

AROUND FOUNTAIN SQUARE WITH THE PUNCHERS AND THEIR PILOTS—Secretary George Murphy of the Cincinnati Boxing Commission gave this writer an oddity for Cincinnati's boxing . . . . two clubs presented two good cards, seeking a permit for the same night . . . . both had different arenas . . . . the Commission finally did make a good settlement with one of the promoters stepping back in good faith . . . . Ray Heling, in the Army for three years, was discharged and on his first day home suffered an accident which kept him inactive for a week . . . . now back on the ball, watch Milwaukee doings with Ray "partnering" it with popular Eddie Metrie . . . . don't forget to tab Herb Gilmore as one of the best seconds around here . . . . Mickey Davies of Huntington, W. Va., has a nice group of fighters, some of whom will soon show in this city . . . . George Rushmer of New York, who, with Pete Reilly, helped to bring Freddie Miller into the featherweight crown, bulletins this scribe he is back and looking for managerial action . . . . fighters of all weights and managers of good fighters who want to show in this territory, contact Jimmie Amann, 6716 Palmetto St., Cincinnati, O. . . . . this address also available to those interested in my dollar a year boxing flashes service monthly . . . . and thanks to all the new subscribers in the boxing colony . . . . Eddie Davis, former Ohio and Texas promoter and manager, is now located in Bell, Calif.

Pete Andrew, former New Yorker, has opened a new fight club in Tampa . . . . Joe Basco seems to have a good lightie in Rudy Zadell, who beat Joe Miller of Buffalo . . . . my annual boxing promoters' and managers' guide will be ready January 15 . . . . one dollar brings this new guide which lists the names and addresses of 700 promoters and managers . . . . Irv Chamsky of Stamford, Conn., is getting together a good stable as well as Carmen Cook of Bridgeport, Conn.

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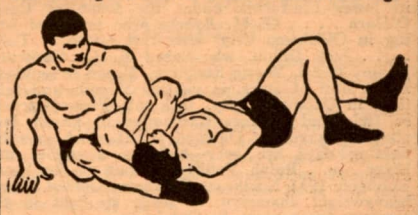

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ARKANSAS AND OKLAHOMA FLASHES

By CLYDE SMITH

SAPULPA, OKLA.—Virgil Goodin, 146, Pryor, Okla., won a decision over Billy Tiger, 147, Tulsa (3). Gene Goodin won a decision over Johnny Miles, Sapulpa, in a 160-pound battle (3). Johnny Goodin, a 135-pounder, knocked out John Kenny of Sapulpa (1).

North Little Rock, Ark.—Paul Holderfield beat Jimmy Rogers (3). Richard Crotcher beat Bobby Smith (3). Carl Williams beat Clarence Williams (3). Ralph Johnson beat Arthur McDonald (3). Doyle Davis beat Edward Walker (3). William Lamb beat James Padgett (3).

Tulsa, Okla.—Jack League, 213, San Antonio, Tex., fighter, wrestler, knocked out Frankie Murdock, 198, Waxahachie, Tex., in the seventh round of a boxing match.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—Titus Anchiah, 135, Anadarko, beat Charles Murdock, 134. Oklahoma City (3). Lee Satoke, 118, Anadarko, stopped Wayne Pritchard, 119, Oklahoma City (2). Kenneth Wiles, 126, Oklahoma City, decisioned Amos Aitson, 128, Riverside (3). Robert Nunn, 112, Oklahoma City, beat David Goingkeen, 112, of Riverside. Jackson Hummingbird beat Willie Walton (3).

Jake Stephens, who went to the fights as a spectator, wound up by boxing the main event and he whipped Bill Everett, a Will Rogers Field G.I. Both boys are professionals.

RING GOSSIP—Amos Aitson, recently discharged from the Navy, reports that Virgil Franklin, National Golden Gloves champion 126-pounder last season, is now boxing at 158 pounds for a Navy team . . . . Dick Garman of Tulsa, a 118-pound star a few years ago, has shed his captain's bars . . . . Elsworth Clark, heavyweight, who was Golden Gloves champion in Tulsa, is fighting pro in lower California under the name of Casey O'Hara . . . . G. M. Byerly, who promoted boxing in Oklahoma City, sells real estate at Tulsa . . . . Jack Dillon, who boxed K. O. Christner, Johnny Risko, Young Stribling, Maxie Rosenbloom and a host of stars, is visiting friends and relatives in Oklahoma City. Jack saw Primo Carnera in Italy and Georges Carpentier in Paris. Jack plans to leave for Oakland, Calif., and says his fighting days are over—both as a soldier and boxer . . . . Ralph Younger, 1941 Northeast Oklahoma Golden Gloves heavyweight champion, is ready to fight in the amateur tournament in Oklahoma.

Little Rock, Ark.—A big crowd watched amateur fighters tangle in ten bouts in the Little Rock Boys' Club's first boxing show of the season.

O. D. Hightower, now in China, will be home soon after three years in the Army. Hightower was Arkansas' most outstanding amateur boxer. He won the Golden Gloves of Arkansas and A.A.U championship, and was Mid-West champion three years in a row. O. D. will turn pro under yours truly.

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WEST VIRGINIA NOTES

By MICKEY DAVIES

FROM fighting the Japs to the pugnacious pastime of busting beaks is the story of little Bobby Kinder. He had 24 wins out of 25 starts while in the Navy, and is now boxing pro under the guidance of the writer. Kinder is the best featherweight prospect turned out in this state since diminutive Mike Raffa started up the fistic ladder.

The Armory A.C. in Huntington resumed operation after a brief lull. Most of the card was made up of local talent, with the exception of Brown Lee and Sailor Jack Thompson, who came down from Harrisburg, Pa. In the headliner, Harry Rose, 130, and Brown Lee, 129, fought to a draw in a furious four-round affair. All nine bouts were slated for four rounds each.

Results of the other bouts were: Bobby Kinder, 128, K.O.'ed Ike Carter, 130, in 50 seconds of the first frame. Billy Jackson, 158, put Sailor Jack Thompson, 160, to sleep in round number one. Bucky Collins, 134, whipped Harvey Mitchell, 136. Kid Williams, 147, and Georgie Hairston, 150, drew. Teddy Barr, 140, stowed away Howard (Boy) Blue, 133 (3). Buddy Ennis, 147, defeated Jimmy Stewart, 145. Pinky Purnell, 130, outpunched Guy Miller, 132.

Jack Rowsey, Huntington middleweight, is now a member of the police force in that city. Mayor Fielder has given Jack permission to engage in bouts locally, and there is a chance he may appear on the next card.

Harry Rose ended up with a very serious eye cut in his recent scrap with Brown Lee. Rose was advised by his doctor to take a 30-day rest.

Charlie Moore and Mutt Schwartz renewed their feud in Cincinnati on November 7 and Schwartz proved himself master of the Mountain State lad by hammering Charlie into submission in the sixth session. This was their third meeting, with Schwartz emerging the victor in two of the battles. Weights: Schwartz, 155; Moore, 158.

Dr. West, prominent Huntington dentist, has resumed his duties as a member of the local boxing commission.

A request came in from "Kid" Laymon, local referee, to correct a statement made by the former writer of this column. Laymon supposedly gave Jack Thompson a fast count in his bout with Jack Hill in Huntington, although the knockdown timekeeper had already tolled ten when Referee Laymon reached nine. After getting the nod from Timekeeper Hol Slutz, "the Kid" awarded the scrap to Hill on a K.O. Thus the reason for the protest from Thompson's handlers.

Dick Pogue, owner of the 7th Avenue Gym, is now associated with the Deutsch A. C. as matchmaker. Dick is bringing in some very good material, incidentally.

Both clubs in Huntington staged shows during the last week of November, which is rather unusual. A little mix-up in dates seemed to be the reason for this. At any rate, fans were provided with plenty of boxing during that week. The Armory A. C. ran on the 26th, presenting six four-round bouts, and a battle royal. Results: Bucky Collins stopped Smokey Auxier (2), lightweights; Harvey Mitchell K.O.'ed Cowboy Ike Carter (2), 136; Jimmy Motley, 147, registered a T.K.O. over Charlie McCoy, 146 (2); Georgie Hairston, 139, T.K.O.'ed Orrie Adkins, 150 (2); Howard (Boy) Blue, 134, decisioned Pinky Purnell, 136; Teddy Barr, 147, and Ray Wright, 150, declared "no contest."

Dick Deutsch's program at the City Auditorium turned out to be a great fight show. In the headliner, Mutt Schwartz, 158, Columbus, O., lost in ten rounds to the up-and-coming Tip Ramsey, 158, Cincinnati, O. This was a nip-and-tuck battle with both boys working very hard. They were handicapped, too, by the very slow ring in which they had to fight.

The eight-round semi-final was also a great fight, featuring Tiger Wills, 136, Columbus, and Johnny Goode, 134, Cincinnati. The Tiger had his opponent on the deck six times during the bout and finally stopped him in the fifth chukker.

Other results were: Guy Miller, 137, bested Mer Beckett, 136, in a four-round scrap; Boy Blue, 134, and Georgie Hairston, 139, drew in another four-rounder.

Dick Carter, Jimmy Stuart and Charlie Moore appeared on the Becker A. C. show in Cincinnati on November 28. Carter was stopped by Pat Iacobucci, Cincinnati feather, after putting up a game battle. Stuart suffered a T.K.O. at the hands of Benton Cobbins, 142, in the second frame. Charlie Moore, 158, knocked out Frankie Robinson, 158, in the second round of a scheduled six-rounder.

Mose Brown is out of retirement and making Huntington his home again . . . . Vanity Fair, West Virginia's Square Garden, will figure in the news during the month of January. This popular sports arena will reopen in that month, and is again under the direction of L. D. (Judge) Newman, who will undoubtedly hold boxing and wrestling shows there.

BETWEEN ROUNDS—Dapper Dick McDonie, once a featherweight of note, is now residing in Phoenix, Ariz. . . . . Joey Costa, former Clarksburg puncher, was a visitor at Pogue's Gym recently . . . . Dodo Frazier, who has been connected with the FBI for a number of years, is now back in the old home town . . . . Lonnie Bowden, ex-soldier light-heavy, is in top shape and looking for work . . . . Lonnie tips the Fairbanks at 178 . . . . Promoters in Williamson and Clarksburg are planning to operate soon . . . . Pete's newsstand in Huntington sells out THE RING on the first day of delivery, which is proof of the mag's popularity locally . . . . Dick Deutsch at one time handled the late Lem Franklin . . . . Your writer served with Regis Pat O'Brien, Frankie Marrone, Mimmie Adragna and Bob Clark, who are the Third Marine Division's ace mittmen . . . . A large gathering is on hand every day to watch the boxers go through their paces at Pogue's Gym . . . . Norman Tweel is appearing in a dramatic series at Marshall College, where he is a student . . . . Speed Laymon is the trainer at Chet Hick's Gym . . . . Jimmy Smith is out of the Navy and looking great . . . . Harry DeVore, Huntington promoter, is also in the dental business.

Unattached fighters and managers seeking good connections should contact the writer. Write: Mickey Davies, Pogue's Gym, 830 7th Avenue, Huntington, W. Va.

BOXING AT U.S.N. AMPHIBIOUS TRAINING BASE AT CORONADO

LT. (JG) J. L. HOGAN of the Welfare-Recreation Department sponsored a very successful boxing smoker at the U.S.N. Amphibious Base at Coronado, Calif. The smoker, promoted by Eddie Aliano, boxing promoter at A.T.B., thrilled upwards of 3500 officers and men down to the last bell of the final bout. The card was as follows:

Billy Lay, 134, representing A.T.B., from Oklahoma City, Okla., fought to a draw with Frank Figarella, 135, representing Camp Elliott, from New York City.

Norm Chavis, 146, representing A.T.B., from Seattle, Wash., decisioned Frank Rodriquez, 145, representing Camp Elliott, from Escondido, Calif.

Ern Hunick, 145, representing U.S.S. *Trathen*, from Salt Lake City, decisioned Sammy Ryan, 148, representing Naval Repair Base, from Houston, Tex.

John Tony, 162, representing Camp Elliott, from Dallas, Tex., decisioned Bill Bobinchuck, 165, representing A.T.B., from Cleveland, O.

Joe Kezele, 145, representing Camp Elliott, defeated Jim Bonner, 145, representing A.T.B., from New London, Tex., by T.K.O.

Ivin Steen, 146, representing Naval Repair Base, from New Orleans, La., decisioned Eddie Lynch, 140, representing A.T.B., from Mansfield, Ia.

In a colorful wrestling match, Jimmy Estes, representing Naval Training Center, from Coronado, Calif., and Ed (Smokey) Moore, representing A.T.B., from Fort Worth, Tex., fought to a draw.

WRESTLING NEWS FROM HAWAII

By TED YAMACHIKA

HAIL the new wrestling champion, Jimmy Gonsalves!

A new Hawaiian junior heavyweight wrestling champion was crowned recently when youthful Jimmy Gonsalves dethroned the veteran Charley Carr in two straight falls before a jam-packed crowd at the local Auditorium.

The championship bout was fast and furious throughout the 28 minutes that it lasted, with both contestants trying all their bags of tricks. Jimmy kept groping for an opening to apply his favorite monkey flips and Charley kept trying to weaken the challenger with a series of headlocks. The battle seesawed in this manner. Gonsalves won the first fall in 27 minutes and 30 seconds and the second in 40 seconds.

Jimmy Gonsalves, the new champion, is a handsome youngster still in his early twenties who is well liked by the fans. He has been wrestling professionally for about two years. Before turning professional he held the Hawaiian amateur heavyweight wrestling title.

Axel Madsen, former service champion, returned to local mat wars after an absence of nearly a year. He won a one-fall affair over tough Joe Mitchell in a recent bout and is already clamoring for more opponents to conquer. Blond Madsen hails from New York. Since turning professional in 1934 he has met some of the country's finest wrestlers, including artists like Strangler Lewis, Tony Morelli, Tiger Flowers and George Becker.

Another local youth who is improving by leaps and bounds is Wimpy Willington. Wimpy started wrestling after Champion Jimmy Gonsalves, but has already worked himself up to tackling top performers like Ben Pilar, Kaimon Kudo, Chester Hayes and Bucky O'Neill.

BOXING NEWS FROM FRANCE

By S/SGT. BUDDY GOMER

SINCE the conclusion of the Japanese war, professional boxing has come back in leaps and bounds here in Paris. Already there are four clubs in operation here, which gives Parisiens a chance to attend something like four or five shows per week. Right now the main drawing card in the gay "City of Light" is Marcel Cerdan, dynamic-hitting Algerian welterweight, who has a long string of wins and kayoes to his credit, and who expects to invade United States rings some time this winter with contemplated success. Though he is a veteran ringster, there are 100 Frenchmen who say he will win world honors to one who says he won't.

Other favorites are: Hasson Douiff, rugged Algerian Negro, who is welterweight champion of France; Dauthille, an up-and-coming French lad, who often surprises; Robert Charron, former welterweight champion of France; Kid Janas of Belgium, once a good welterweight but now "through"; Ray Famechon, the best known of three fighting Famechon brothers, who is coming along fine in the featherweight division; Pankoviak, a Polish welterweight, who has proved surprisingly tough; Jackie Paterson, present world flyweight king; Theo. Medina, ex-flyweight champ of France; Louis Thierry, ex-lightweight champ of France; Jos Preys, present lightweight king of Belgium; Dogniaux, a French flyweight, and Jim Brady, Belfast flyweight, who has never been kayoed.

Brady claims wins over men like Nel Tarleton, Jackie Brown, Benny Lynch, Balcazar Sangchili, Jackie Paterson, Peter Kane, etc. He says that he has engaged in 730 fights as a pro and amateur.

PARIS FIGHT RESULTS—Dauthille beat Hasson Douiff in eight rounds at the Arena Palais De Glace, then kayoed Kid Janas in three rounds at the Central Arena.

Marcel Cerdan kayoed Davies, an Englishman, in one round at the Palais De Glace.

Ray Famechon beat Perez by a kayo in four rounds at Arena Cirque De Hiver.

Robert Charron, well known but unpopular, fought a draw over ten rounds with a comparatively unknown Polish lad called Pankoviak.

Marcel Thil of the cauliflowered ears, busted nose, bald head and hairy chest, and former world's middleweight champ, is managing boxers in Paris . . . . He is still in the heart of every French fight fan . . . . Cleto Locatelli, short, stocky, hard-hitting Italian welterweight, who made quite a name for himself around New York fistic circles some six years or more ago, is still a boxing instructor at the Columbia Gym in Gay Paree.

Auxerre, France—The unbeaten 101st Airborne Division ring team pounded out a 4-2 decision over boxers from the 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment from Frankfurt. The 101st won the first four bouts in succession when Billy Russell, 126, Hollywood, outboxed George Gelman of Brooklyn; James Enopia, 135, Honolulu, beat Moe Harvey of Warren, Ohio; Phil Brown, 147, St. Louis, whipped Leo Romero of Oklahoma City; and Leland Pillen, 155, Flint, Mich., beat John Coltza of Youngstown, Pa. The 508th then went to work to take the last two bouts when Joe Kelly, 160, Nanticoke, Pa., decisioned Frank Brya of Pittsburgh, and Whitney Roseman, 175, Windham, Mont., edged Barney Moncilovic, Detroit southpaw, in the wind-up.

Maurice Holtzer, for many years a world's featherweight contender, is now living on his farm in Alsace-Lorraine . . . . Jim Brady, the Belfast belter, has never been short of fans. When he arrived by train at the St. Lazare Station, he was greeted by a mob of Paris mademoiselles and several news photographers . . . . S/Sgt. Buddy Gomer, former Mid-West middleweight contender, and Sgt. Verne La Cross, former California middleweight, have seen action for the last time, they say. They are stationed in Paris, as is Pfc. Harry Fleming, Baltimore featherweight.

Paris—At the Central Arena, Dogniaux, a Frenchman, pulled a big surprise by winning an impressive ten-round decision over the highly-rated Jim Brady of Belfast.

At the Palais De Glace, Theo. Medina of France decisioned the top world flyweight, hard-hitting Jackie Paterson of Scotland, over the ten-round route. Paterson took the lead in the first five rounds, but blows to the solar plexus by Medina soon slowed Jackie down. In fact, he was dropped for a count in the sixth round but recovered. In the semi, Jos Preys of Belgium kayoed the veteran Louis Thierry in three of an eight.

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BOXING AT GUAM

POWERHOUSE CHARLIE RIGGS, 193, from McKeesport, Pa., threw everything at Walt Hafer to win a decision in the feature bout at the NAB, Agana, boxing smoker. A crowd of 50,000 fans watched one of the greatest fight cards ever held in the Marianas Islands.

Riggs is the recognized All-Service heavyweight of the Pacific area, while Hafer was the Marine heavy titlist. Hafer has left for the States and discharge.

A third-round K.O. and a close four-round bout featured the other fights.

In the first battle, Earl Maynard, 130-pounder from Los Angeles, Calif., knocked out Bill Smith, 130, New York City, in the third round.

Sonny Brooks, 145, won a close decision from Young Piggy, 143, in another battle where blows were ration free. Brooks had won 17 fights and lost three prior to this one.

Richard Douglas, 150, representing the 52nd Defense, threw plenty at Booker Wayne, 151, to win a decision in the third fight.

Ralph Jones, 170, took a decision from Bob McLee, 169½, in the fourth fight.

A comeback by Bill Zaier for a decision over Donald Cook was the other highlight on the slugging program. Zaier, 195, staged a fourth round rally over Cook, 210, for his second victory in two weeks. The previous week at NAB Orote Zaier decisioned Cook.

BOXING IN CUBA

By MILT BARON

HAVANA'S leading promoter is Luis Godoy, and as they say, the proof is in the pudding—his cards always draw a capacity house. Godoy broke all attendance records when he slated the Gavilan Kid vs. Johnny Suarez fight at the Palace of Sports. He stops at nothing to furnish the goods, and Godoy has a world of experience in the boxing game.

Gavilan Kid, Cuba's lightweight champion, won a ten-round decision from Johnny Suarez of California, after both boys put up a whirlwind scrap.

Joe Legon, welterweight champion of Cuba, in a return go, scored a ten-round K.O. over Hankin Barrows of Panama. Legon was ahead on points, when he caught Hankin with a devastating right on the jaw that knocked Hankin down for keeps in the tenth and last round.

Gavilan Kid had no trouble in defeating Carlos Malacara of Mexico in the ten-round feature go at the Palace of Sports. All that Malacara showed was ability to take it.

Kid Guinche, Santo Domingo bantamweight, scored an eight-round decision over Mario Morales. Baby Chichi, lightweight, drew in eight rounds with Pedro Calderon, and Albert Nunez, 160, scored a two-round knockout over Evangelio Valiente.

Kid Barquerito, featherweight contender from Santo Domingo, won from Filio Prado of Mexico. Benjamin Prado, brother of Filio, was knocked cold in the second canto by Lino Garcia. What a day for the Prado brothers of Mexico! Not so good!

Babe Coullimber, Cuba's former feather and lightweight champion, now fighting as a welterweight, lost a ten-round decision to Hankin Barrows. Coullimber put up a whale of a scrap, but tired towards the end and lost his chance. On several occasions Coullimber had Hankin on the verge of a knockout.

Santiago Sosa, ex-lightweight champion, in good form, won a ten-round decision over Joe Calixto, another good lightweight.

Lino Garcia, sterling Cuban featherweight, easily defeated Congo Guevara in the semi-windup of ten rounds, and Jesus Varona knocked out Gilberto Dominguez in two rounds.

Kid Guinche, Santo Domingo bantamweight, scored a one-round knockout over Kid Morasen. Baby Pacho, 133, and Joe Alvarez, 135, fought a six-round draw of hot slugging. Joe Rodriguez, 109, beat Orlando Fernandez, 113, in a good four-rounder.

Manuel Garcia, 125, lost in eight rounds to Rolando Delgado, 121. Garcia gave Rolando a hot argument, and Delgado knew he was in a fight.

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WISCONSIN BOXING GOSSIP

By PINKY MITCHELL
Former Junior Welterweight Champion

Paul H. Schumacher Wisconsin Boxing Commissioner

MILWAUKEE came a long way in 1945 toward regaining its prestige as one of the leading boxing centers in the country. This was due mainly to the ability of five fighters, Juste Fontaine, Tony Martin, Charley Parham, Doll Rafferty and Jimmy Sherrer. They have developed enough skill with the padded mitts to perform creditably against any nationally known opposition.

Juste Fontaine, lightweight, was the year's top box office attraction with Charley Parham, Negro and state welterweight champion, second. Jimmy Sherrer, Negro welterweight, took down third money.

Doll Rafferty, Negro, and state lightweight champion, who was top man in 1944, got off to a bad start this year. His manager, Eddie Metrie, wisely accepted only out-of-state matches since. Rafferty did very well in these, repeating four times in Pittsburgh. Tony Martin, state middleweight champion, recently discharged from the Navy and the No. 1 attraction before entering the service, fought in Minneapolis in November, his only bout for the year, here. Once Martin gets his land legs back under him, he should be Wisconsin's leading title threat.

There have been no changes among the state titleholders for the year 1945. Johnny Gaudes, inactive for the year and now bidding for bouts, reigns supreme among the bantams, with Dorsey Kemp, Negro, expecting to be released from the Army, the outstanding contender. Phil Zwick, whose age runs in the 30's is state featherweight champion without a challenger. Zwick is arranging bouts in Cuba and South America and says when he returns he will challenge for the state lightweight title.

Doll Rafferty, the lightweight champion, has a serious contender in Juste Fontaine who would be the betting favorite to win if the bout were staged now.

In the welterweight division, there are a half dozen boys with ambitious eyes on the crown worn by Charley Parham. Jimmy Sherrer is the outstanding contender with Milt Varsas next in line.

Tony Martin stands alone as the state middleweight champion and could easily take over the light-heavyweight title too, which is vacant. In the heavyweight division Irish Micky Hayes is king with Johnny Hubbard the outstanding contender.

"Let's talk boxing," was the subject of a talk Peter H. Schumacher, State Boxing Commissioner unlimbered at a West Allis Club recently. "Fighting is man's oldest sport," said Pete. "During the early development of man he had to use his fists to survive. Gladiators in the old days of the Romans and Greeks encased their fists in metal and leather. The loser's end was generally just a decent burial."

"Later when people put a higher premium on life and greater value on skill in sports, came the bare-knuckle days until the invention of the boxing glove. Today really the only prize fighters are the amateurs—they still fight for prizes. Under state boxing laws professionals cannot be paid on a winner and loser basis. The fighters contract for specific sums and win or lose, are paid the contracted amount of money.

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Schumacher was appointed to the boxing commission by Gov. Goodland for one year to fill the unexpired term of Earl F. Otto in 1943 and reappointed in 1944 for a five-year term. He was a member of the Camp Grant boxing team in World War No. I.

Local fans paid $10,063 to see Tony Martin, 158½, Milwaukee middleweight, knock out Luther Brent, 157½, Chicago, in five rounds. It was Martin's first showing here after three years in our Uncle Sam's service. He was a little rusty in starting and his timing was off but he struck his stride in the third round and drove a powerful right to the solar plexus in the fifth round to knock out the Chicagoan. Time, 2:45—fifth round. Referee, Ted Jamieson.

The six-rounder between Frankie Gaudes, 134, Milwaukee, and Ted Christie, 129, Chicago, stole the show. Christie carrying the lighter weapons received the decision over Gaudes' heavy artillery in a real thriller. Referee Dauber Jaeger.

Charley Parham, ill with a strept throat, was replaced by Robert Fowler, 152, Chicago, who beat Mike Sopko, 157¼, Gary, Ind., in eight rounds. Referee Dauber Jaeger. Jimmy Martin, 139½, Chicago, K.O.'ed Charley Pope, 144, Milwaukee, one round. Time, 35 seconds. Referee Dauber Jaeger. Stanley Jordan, 143½, Milwaukee, stopped Charley Wells, Gary, Ind., three rounds. Referee Ted Jamieson. Dick Czerniak, 148, Milwaukee, and Marty Callura, 147, Milwaukee, drew in four rounds. Referee Ted Jamieson. Al Fain and Billy Mitchell were the promoters.

Jimmy Sherrer is ready for the best, in the opinion of ringsiders who saw him beat Johnny Green, 145½, Buffalo, at the Milwaukee Auditorium. Sherrer took the lead in the first round with left jabs and a potent right which spilled Green for two nine-counts in the fourth round. Green came back to take the fifth with left-hand body punches. The same attack coupled with a left jab also gave him the tenth. With the exception of two rounds that were even Sherrer held a comfortable lead of an action-packed fight. Sherrer weighed 150. Former Lightweight Champion Benny Leonard did a swell job of refereeing and coming to town several days before the bout helped the promoters bring out the crowd.

In the prelims, Steve Curley, 130, New York, defeated Al Jiminez, 128½, Los Angeles (6). Johnny Hubbard, 183½, Milwaukee, T.K.O.'ed Larney Durrah, 172, Cleveland, 35 seconds of round four. Alvin Jordan, 134½, Milwaukee, K.O.'ed Jim Hampton, 140½, Buffalo, 1:10, round three. Frankie Gaudes, 132½, Milwaukee, T.K.O.'ed Sam Huerrera, 132, Mexico, 2:28, round three. Johnny Gaudes, 125½, Milwaukee, T.K.O.'ed Bobby Wright, 125, Cleveland, 2:02, round one. Young Maxwell, 142½, Milwaukee, beat Frank Roberts, 148½, Madison, four. Referees, Julius Fidler and Louie Schultz; judges, Owen Murphy and Les De Camara.

Ward Braby promoted the Sherrer-Green show for Gilead Lodge, B'nai B'rith, and grossed $12,100. Charles Swidler and Sam Ansfield, co-chairmen, did a good job turning over in round figures $6500 to the lodge's fund for aid to discharged servicemen. The contributions included the payment of some of the boxers. Richie Mitchell was Benny Leonard's guest at the show and they received a great ovation when, after putting on a few dramatics, they embraced each other in the ring.

Milt Ellis, Beloit, Wis., promoter, had a good show topped by Gene Spencer, 135, Chicago, and Roy Lewis, 138, Gary. Spencer caught southpaw Lewis with a right on the button in 1:37 of the second round, with Lewis in front at the time. Milt Varsas, 147, Milwaukee, and Al Jackson produced a thriller until Varsas sank a left to the belly and ended the fight with a right on the chin in 1:37 of the fifth round. Jerry Galento Petro, 160, Chicago, K.O.'ed Tiger Gibson, 155, Milwaukee, in 2:58 of the first. Butch Maxwell, 130, Gary, beat Ernie Hoffman, 126½, Beloit, in four. Marty Callura, 147½, Milwaukee, scored three knockdowns to beat John Ortega, 149, Beloit, in four. Pete Ferrand, 148, Chicago, floored five times in the first, K.O.'ed Luke Alfano, 143½, Rochford, in 1:35 of the second. Gross gate, $2410.

BOXING IN DAYTON, OHIO

DAYTON, once the boxing mecca of the Middle West, is again showing signs of its former greatness, and as a result top-flight performers are appearing on boxing cards in ever increasing numbers.

Tentative plans are afoot to organize an A.A.U. Commission for Dayton and Montgomery County.

The Miami Valley Amateur Boxing Tournament sponsored by the Y.M.C.A.-Linden Center brought to light much promising talent. Bobby Stuart, physical director of the Linden Center and on-time campaigner in the lightweight ranks, entertained the amateur participants at a dinner given at the Linden Center.

In the pro ranks Willie Russell of Columbus proved to Dayton fans that he is one of the best lightweights campaigning in the Middle West by knocking out Ralph Walton, the Negro boy from Canada, in the fifth round at Memorial Hall on Columbus Day. Walton gave Russell a boxing lesson in the first round, but became cocky in the second, which was exactly what Russell wanted because from then on the Negro spent most of his time getting off the canvas. Fighting on the same card, was Dayton's own Kenny Johnson, who hammered home another win at the expense of Tommy Woodward of Columbus. Johnson is by far the best that Dayton has to offer at the moment, and if handled expertly, he will go far in the heavyweight ranks.

The best fights of the evening were the two preliminaries scheduled to go six rounds, but neither of them went beyond the second heat. Al Williams of Cincinnati flattened Karl Eaton, a local boy, and Tiger Wills of Columbus did a wonderful job on John Goods of Cincinnati. Both of these fights were good while they lasted.

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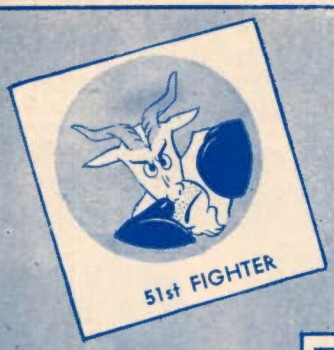

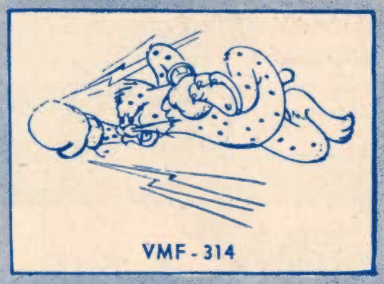

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